

All that glitters...

Even the stars

All things precious...

Even your life



The King of Bandits

Can steal it all

In the blink of an eye

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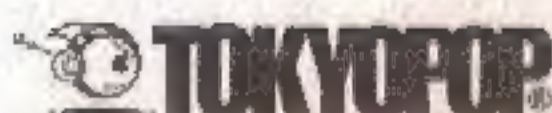
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KING OF DANDIES

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Once upon a midnight dreary a thief named Jing was weak and weary
Many strange and forgotten lands he did traverse and explore.
His companion was a bird named Kir his black wings a flapping.
While Jing nodded, nearly napping, Kir saw booty galore.
"Wake up, Jing," Kir muttered, "all around us is loot galore."
Treasure from ceiling to floor!

Thus, this ebony bird's willing, sent Jing's sad face into smiling,
For Jing could steal the stars from the sky, thievery he truly did adore.
The albatross sat proudly on Jing's placid breast, his beady eyes did implore,
One more thing Kir did utter, his feathers all a greedy flutter, his voice a roar
Quoth the albatross, "Let's steal some more!"



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all hope is gone!!!





FIRST 1 AND FOREMOST, REMEMBER THIS

NEVER 1 AND YOURSELF HERE TWICE 2

OR RUN OUT OF YOUR RATIONS THRICE 3

FOR YOU ARE SURROUNDED ON FOUR 4 SIDES

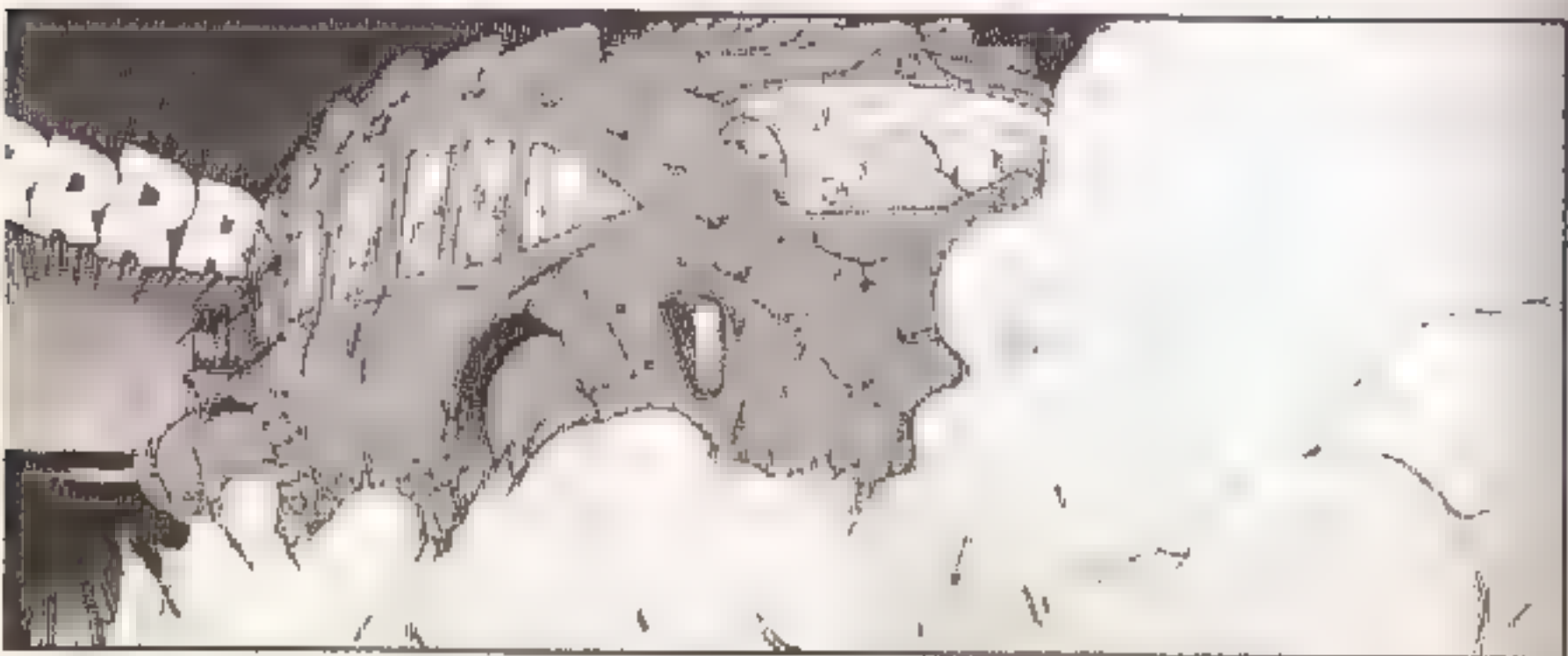
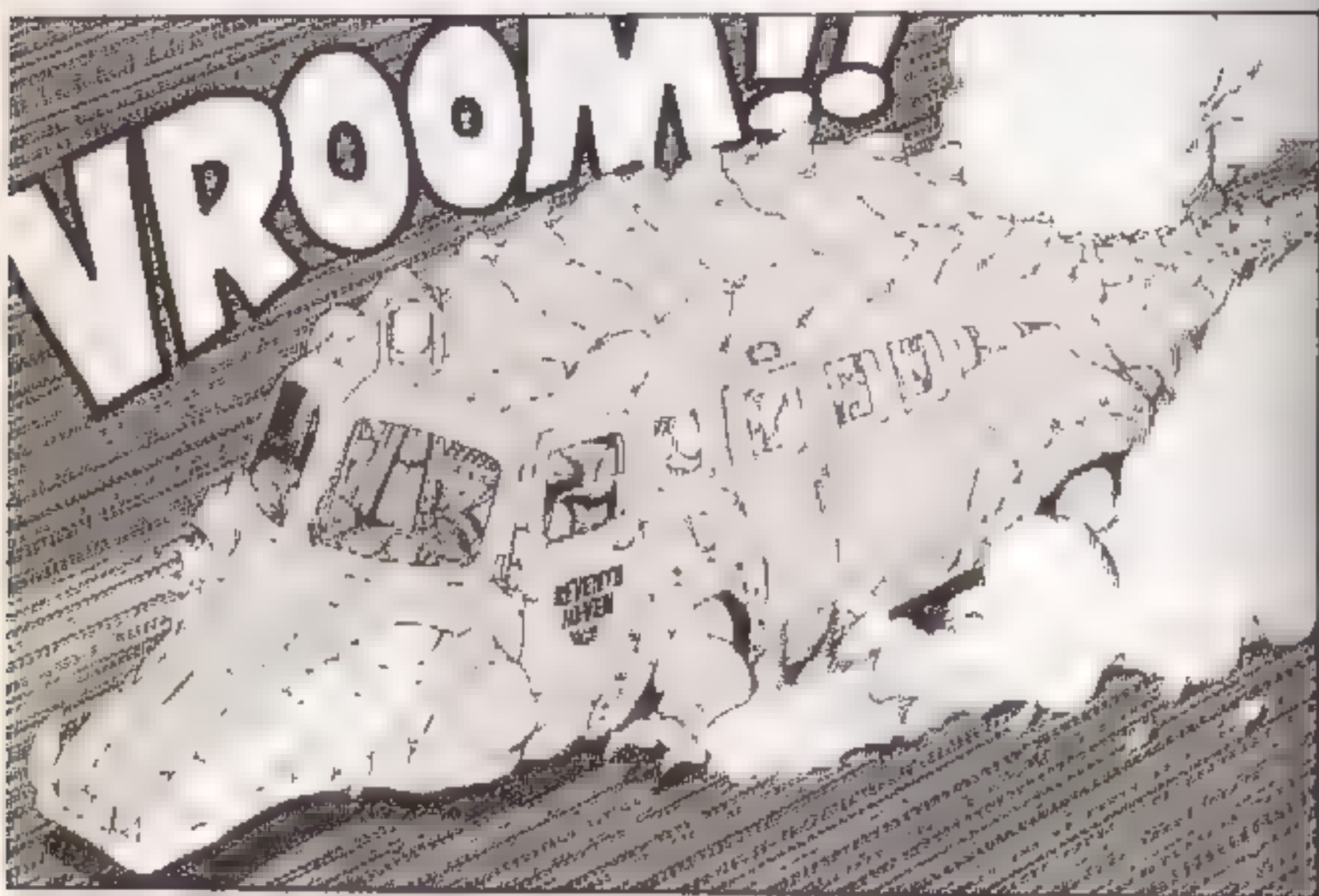
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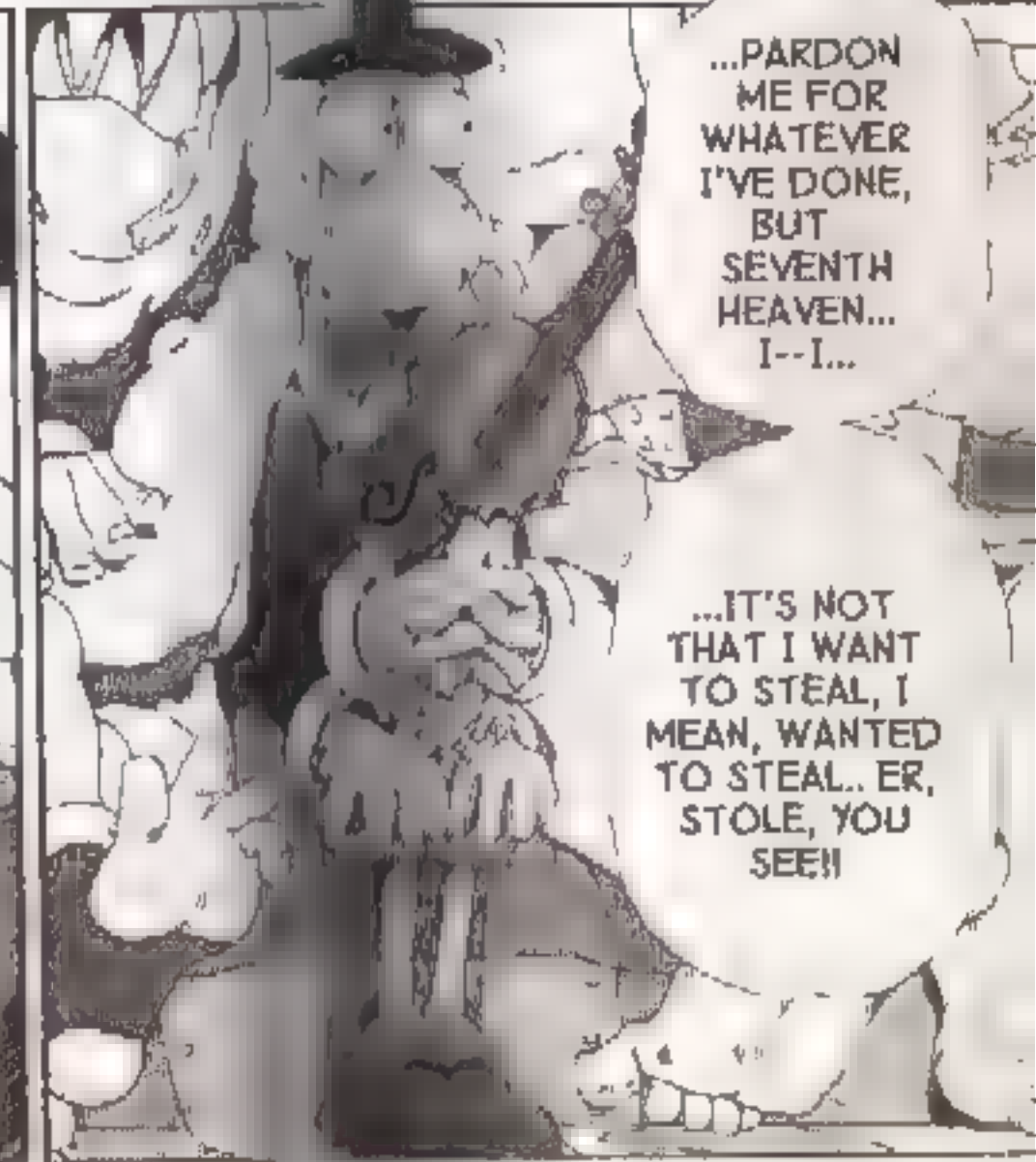
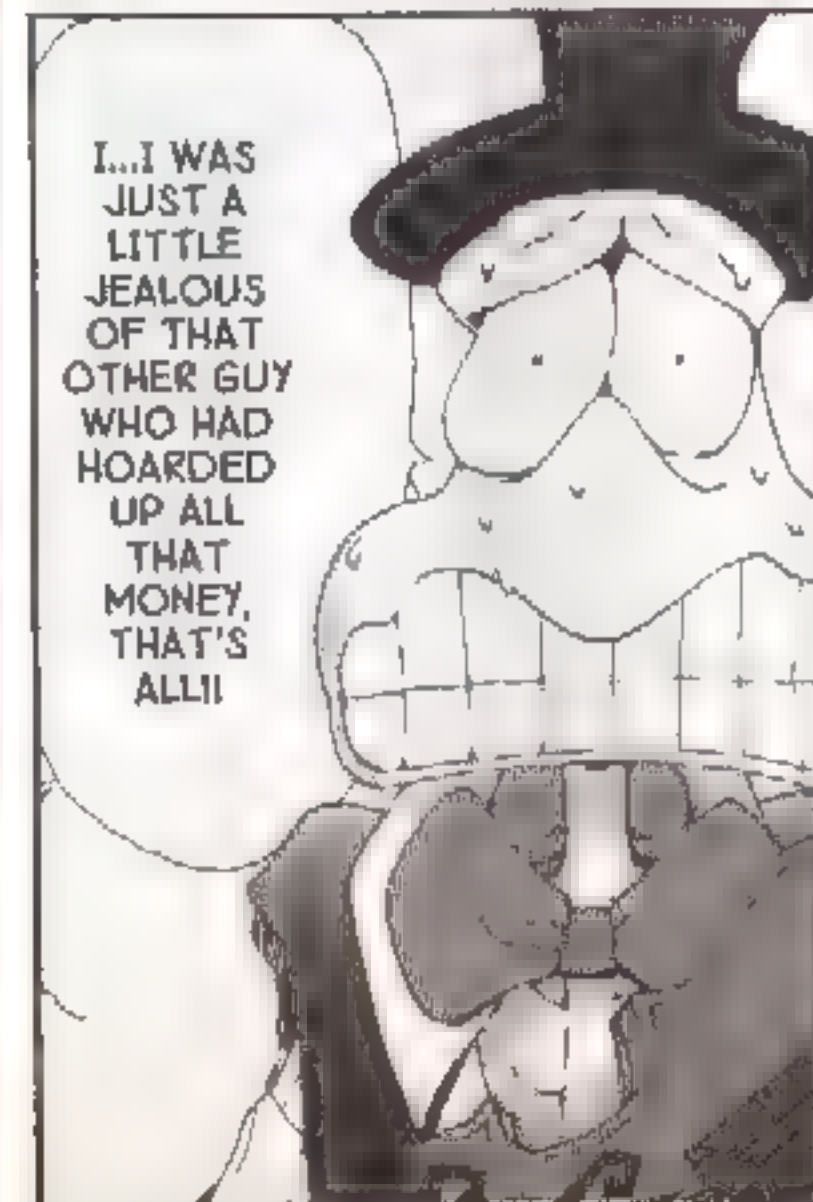
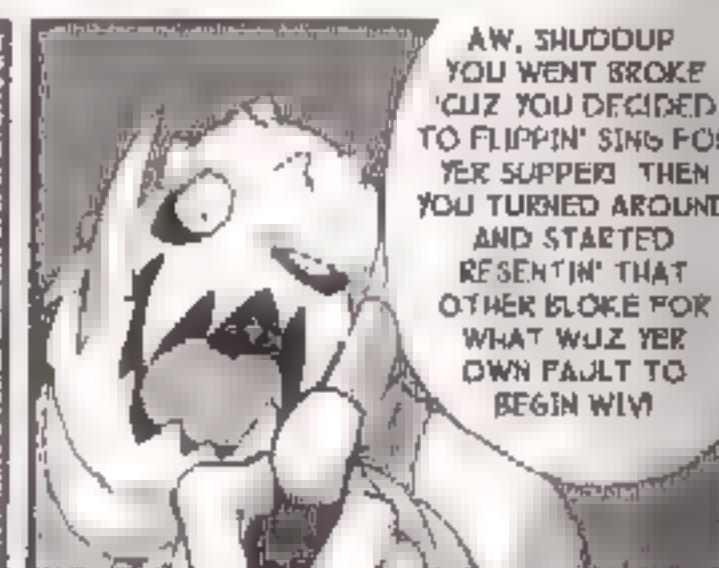
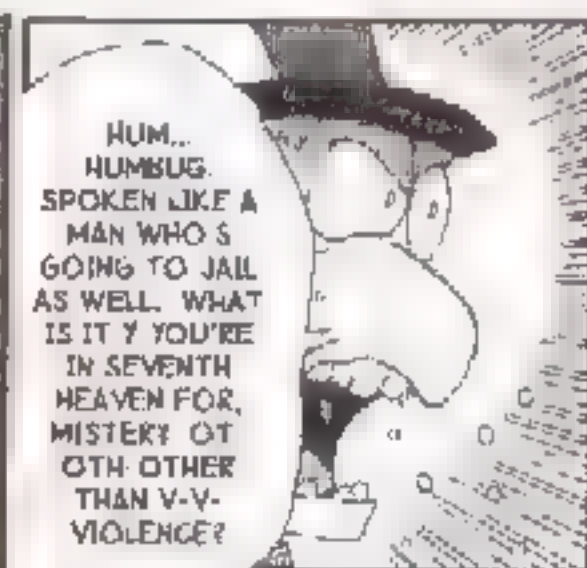
ALL IN A PLACE NOT FIT FOR SIX 6

MUCH LESS ITS NAME OF SEVENTH 7 HEAVEN



SEVENTH HEAVEN PRISONERS WANTON LAMENT





THE WORLD RENOWNED
KING OF BANDITS SUFFERS
A FATAL BLOW TODAY
SOME STUPID COPPER
DECIDES HE GOT SOME
MIND ON US AND NEXT
THING YOU KNOW.

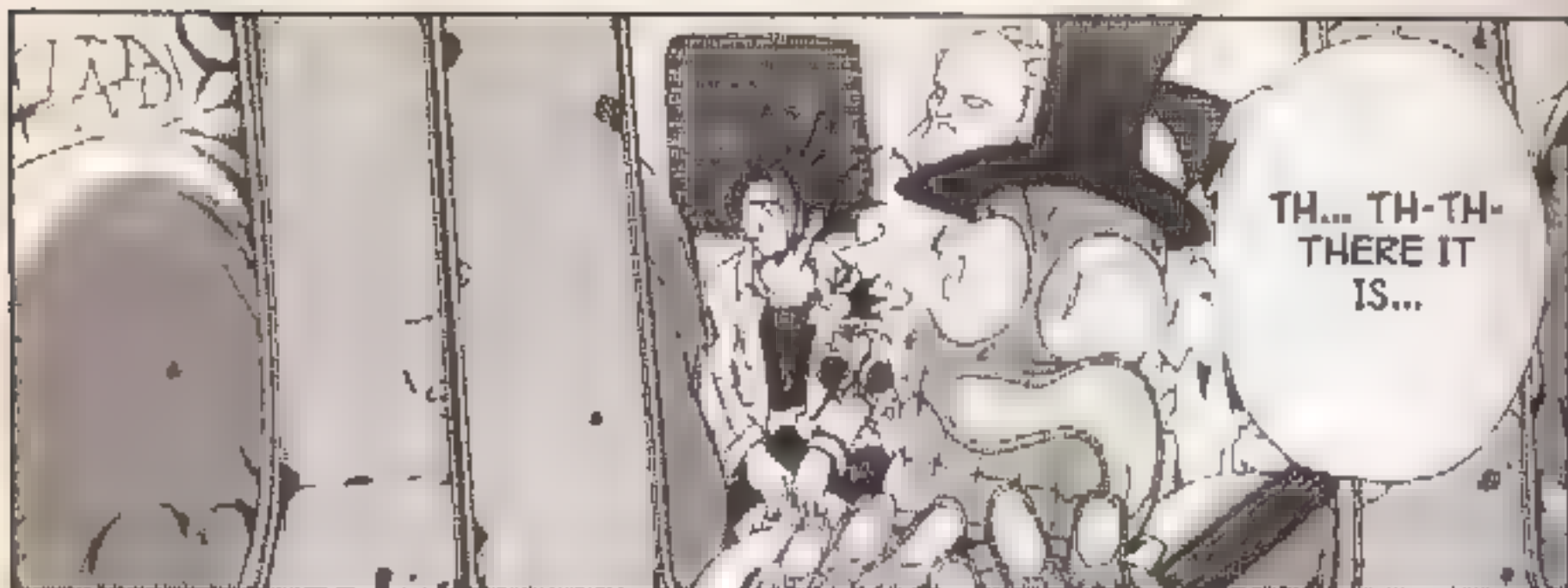
...SOMETIMES
I FEEL LIKE A
MOTHERLESS
CHILD...

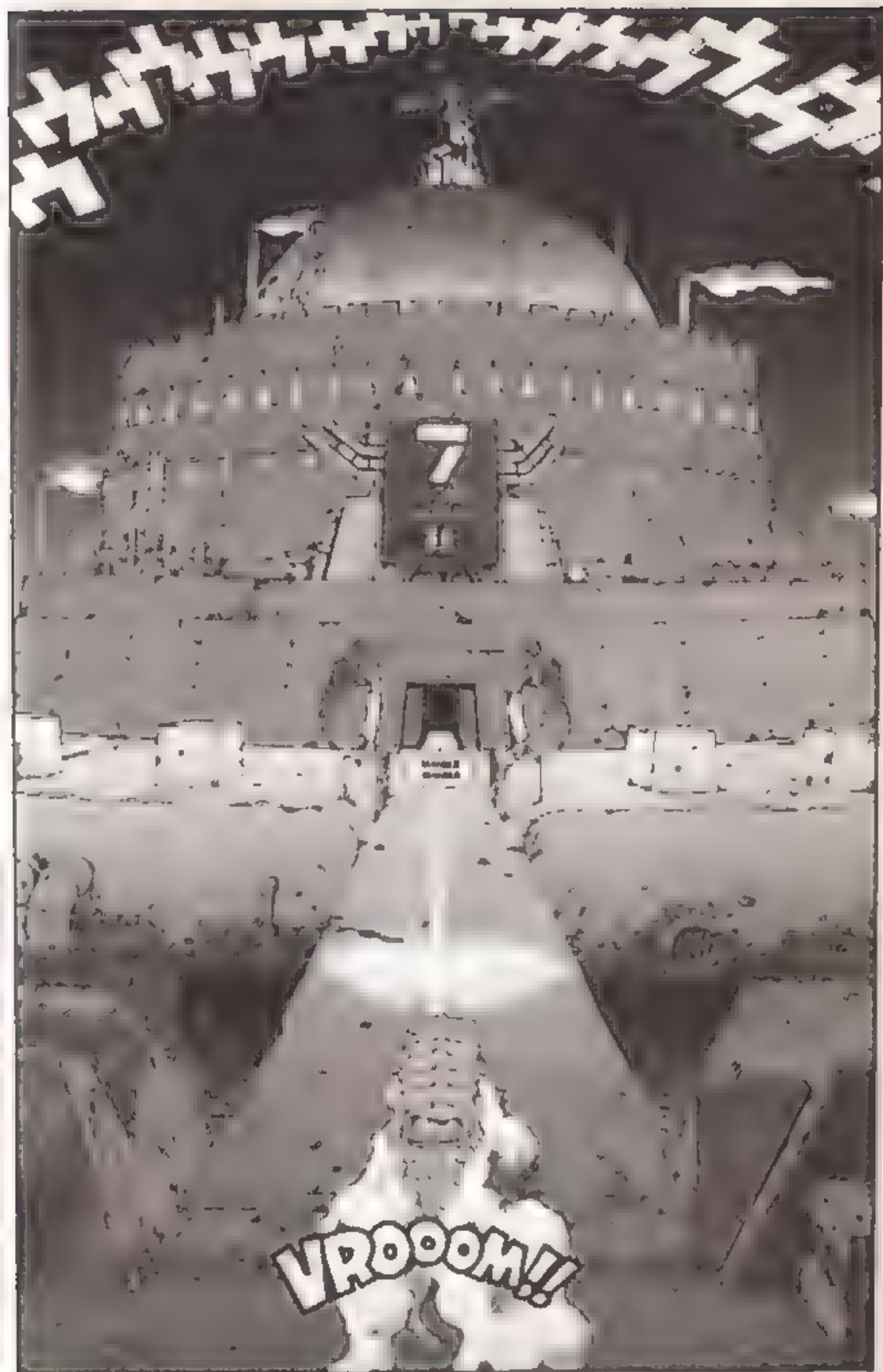
WE'RE ON OUR
WAY TO THE
BIG HOUSE
WITH ALL THE
COMMON
CROOKS

MAKING
EXCUSES FOR THE
MAN AGAIN, I SEE

WHAT'D
I TELL
YOU, KIR?
THIS IS
JUST
A BIT OF
SOCIAL
STUDIES.
SO-CIAL-
STU-DIES!!

DOOH!!





NOW,
THEN END OF
THE LINE FOR
TODAY NOT THAT
THERE'LL BE ANY
TOMORROW FOR
YOU LOT
HEH, HEH.

RUMBLE
RUMBLE

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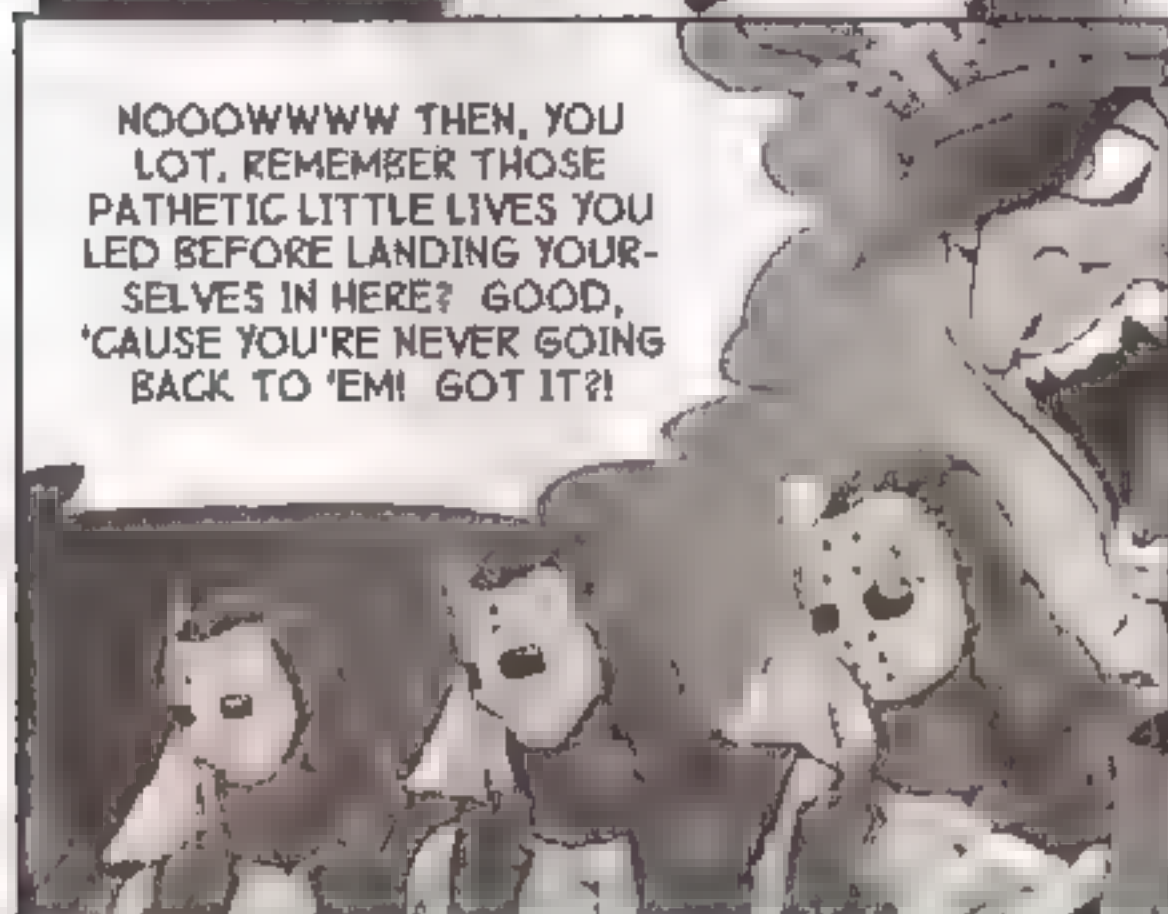
I-I-I-
I-I-I-I-I-I-I-
I-I-IT'S HOPE-
LESS NOW,
ISN'T IT? I-I-I-
I'M GONNA
DIE!!

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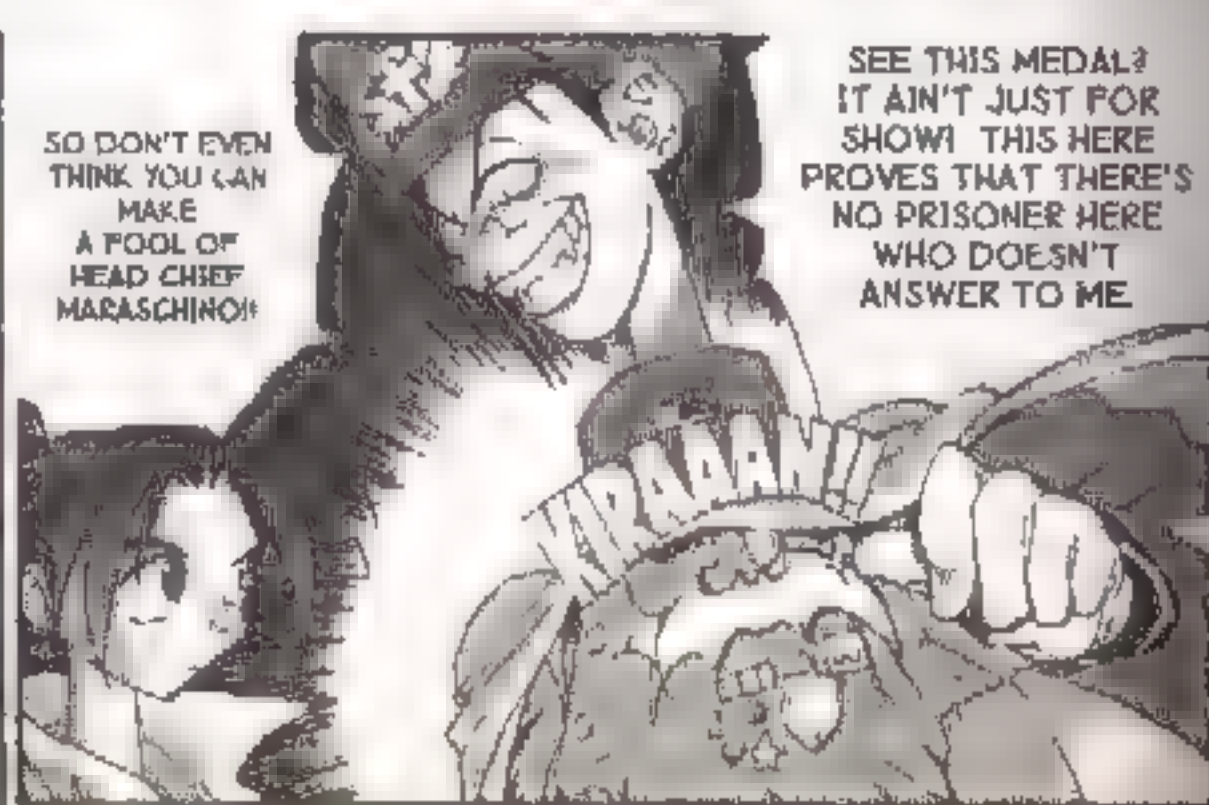
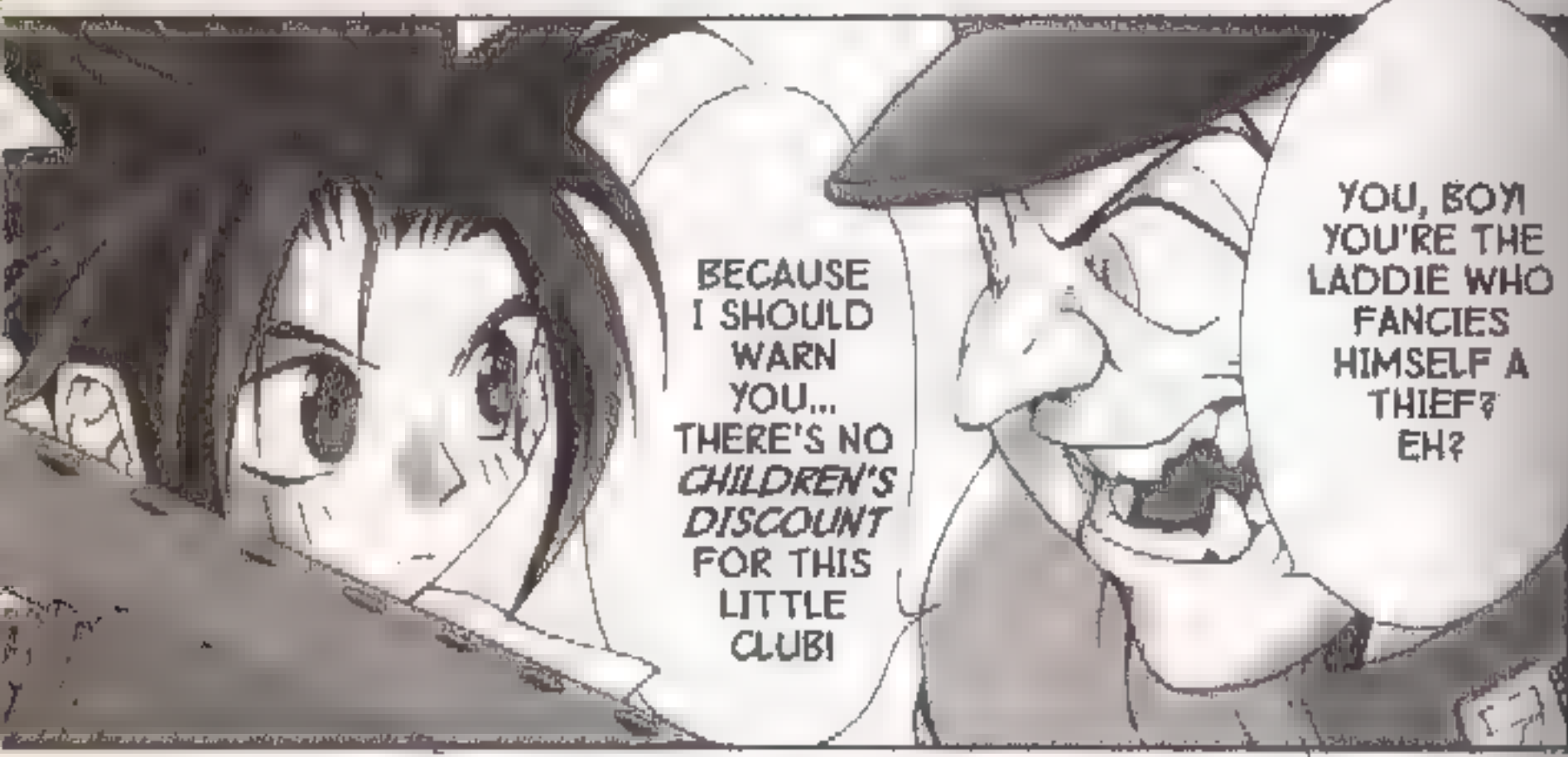
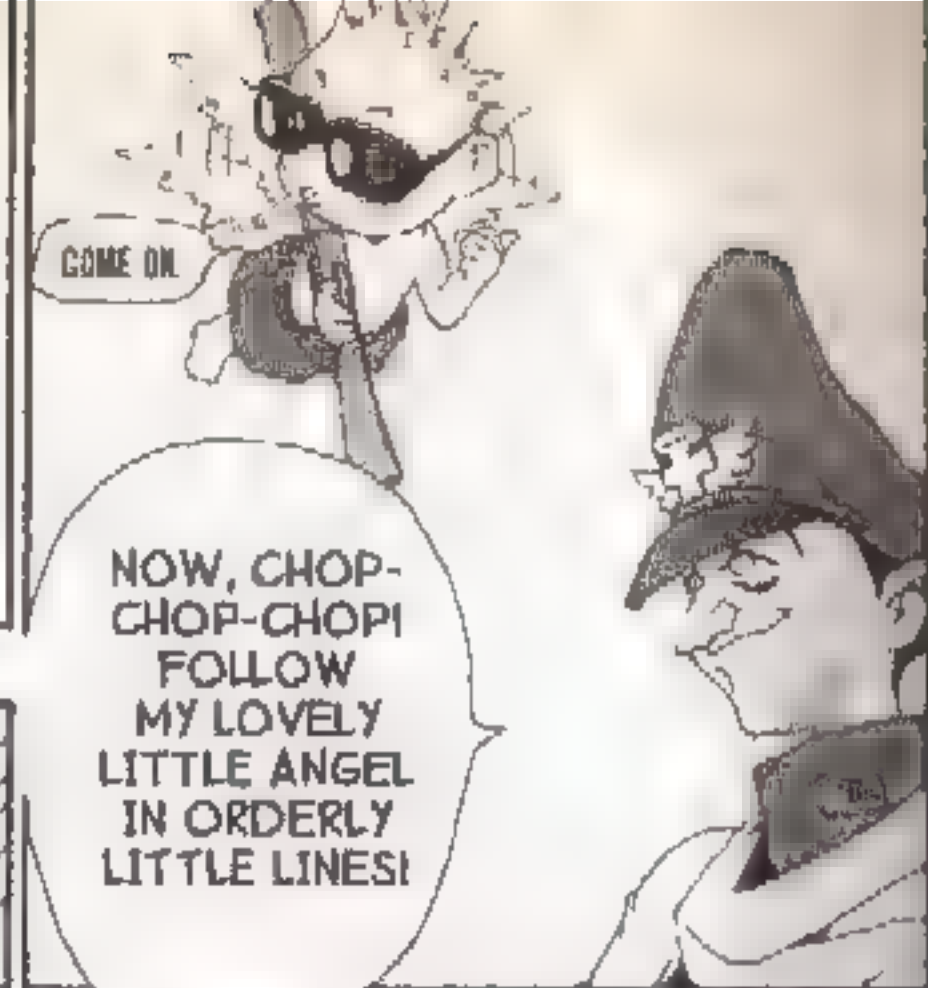
EVEN IF HE
DOESN'T DIE
FROM THAT DROP
OF MOSQUITO
GRADE POISON,
I'LL BE SHOWING
HIM TO THE
PEARLY GATES
SOON ENOUGH!!

RESISTANCE
IS FUTILE!!!

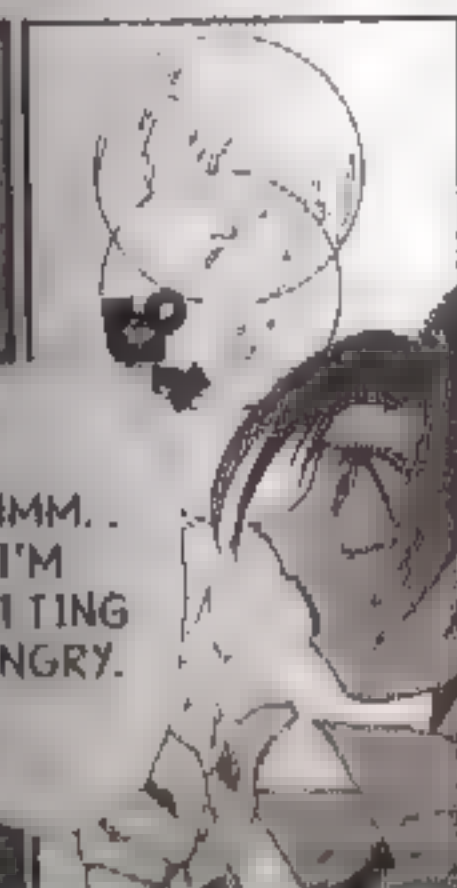
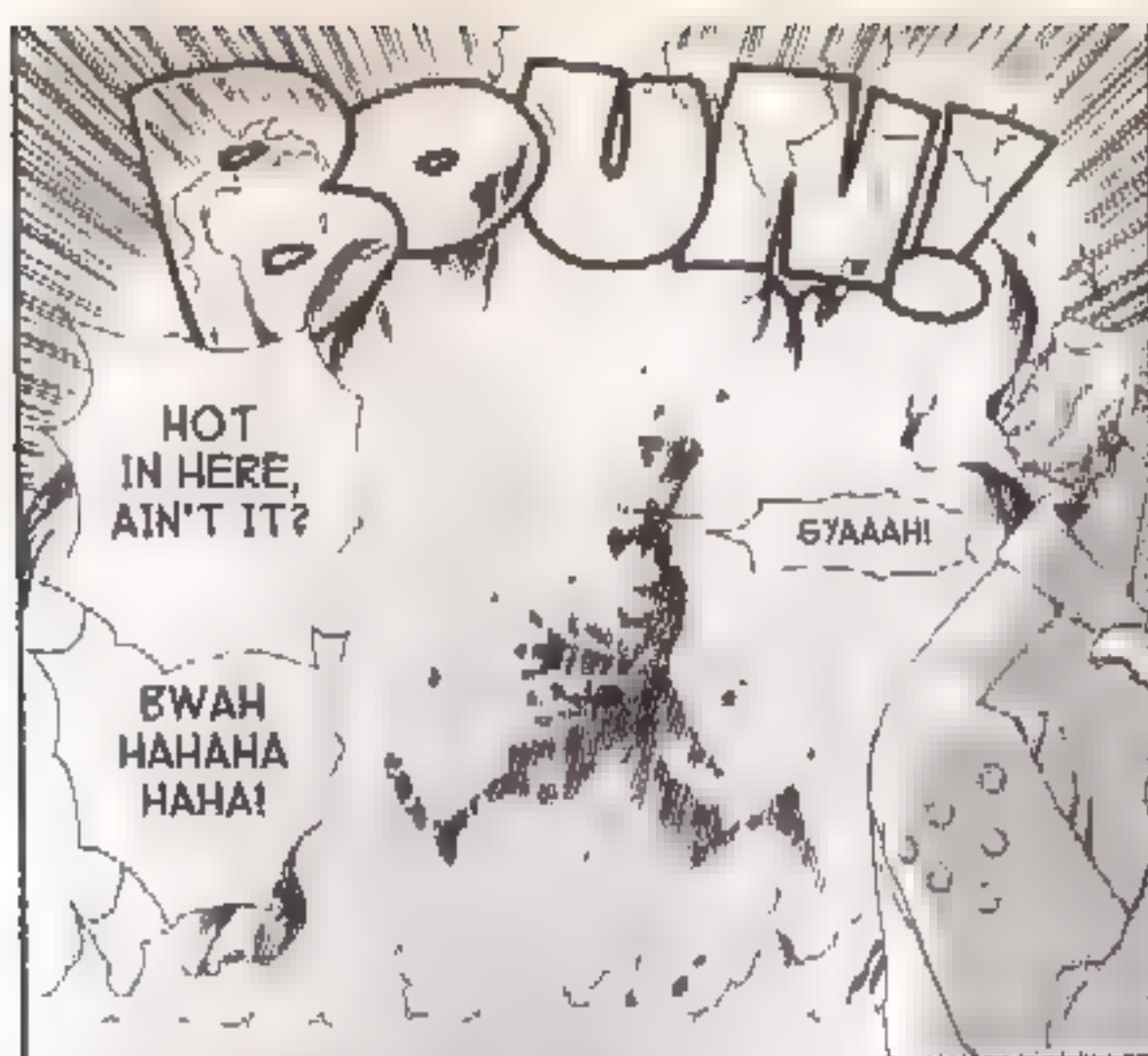


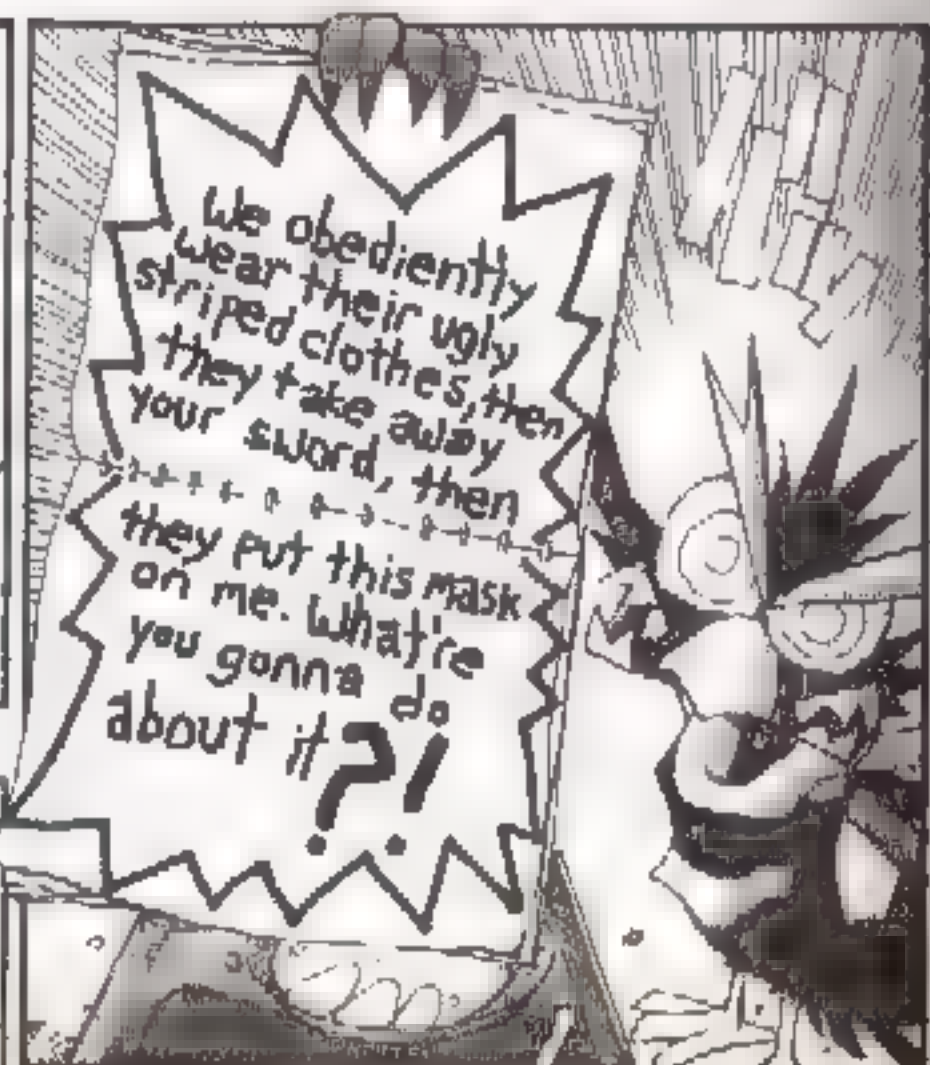
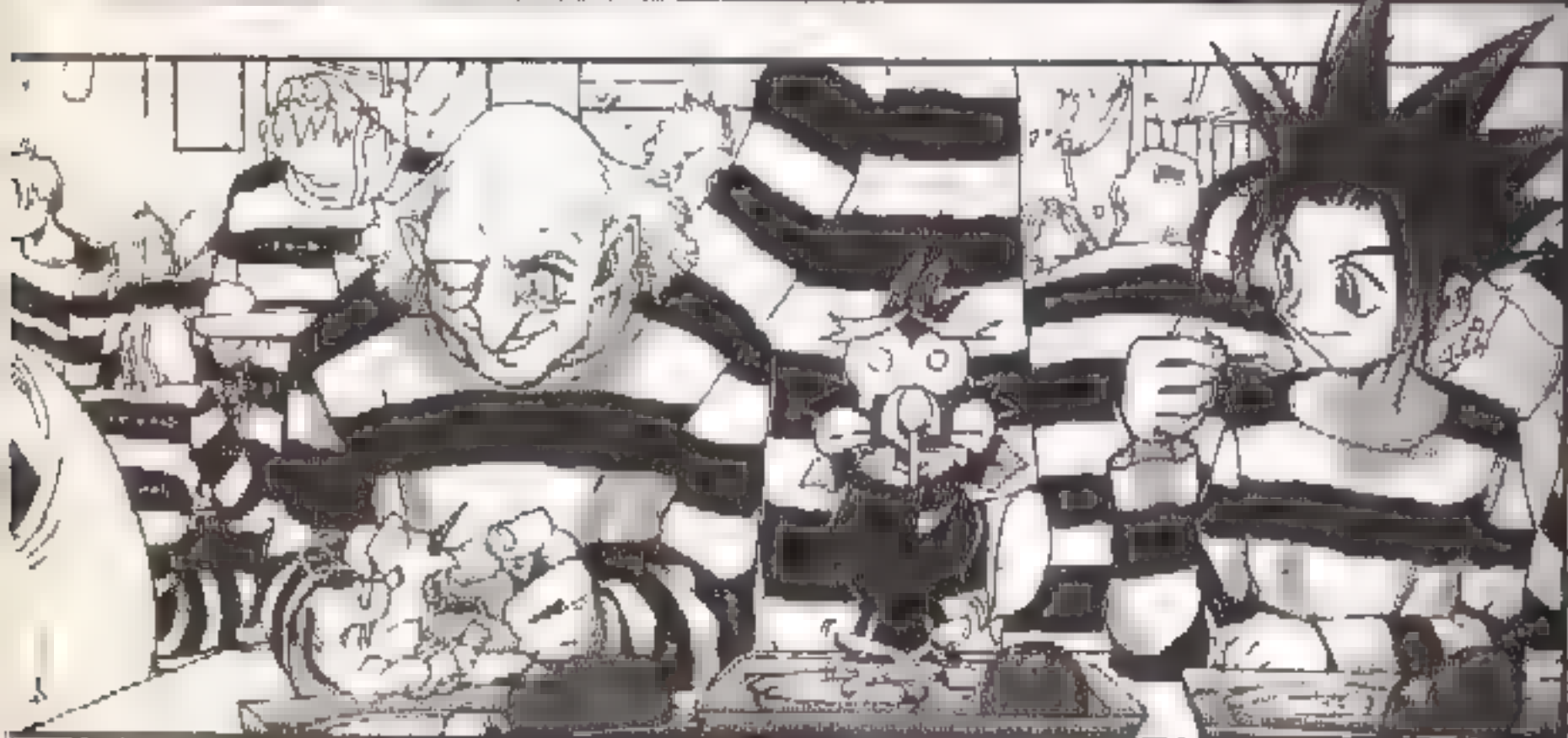
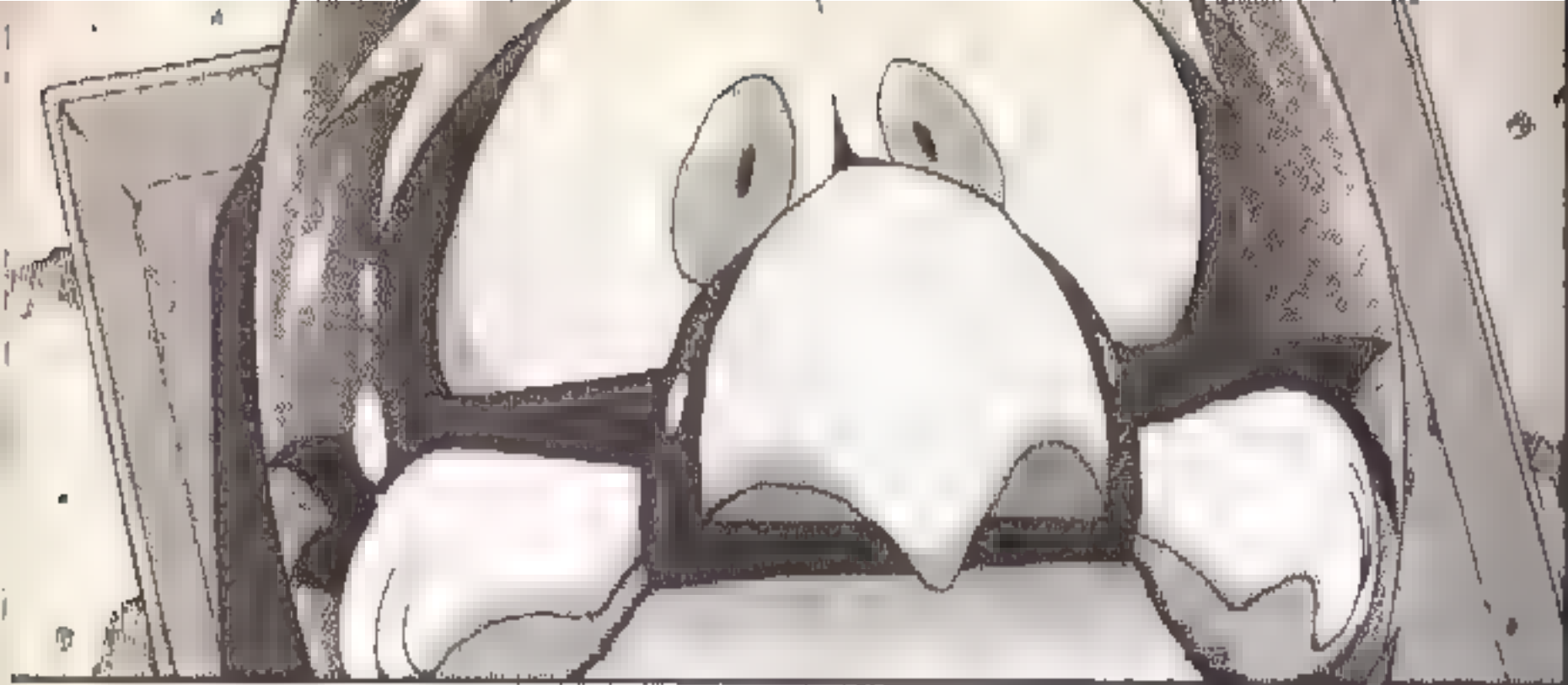
NOOOOWWW THEN, YOU
LOT, REMEMBER THOSE
PATHETIC LITTLE LIVES YOU
LED BEFORE LANDING YOUR-
SELVES IN HERE? GOOD,
'CAUSE YOU'RE NEVER GOING
BACK TO 'EM! GOT IT?!

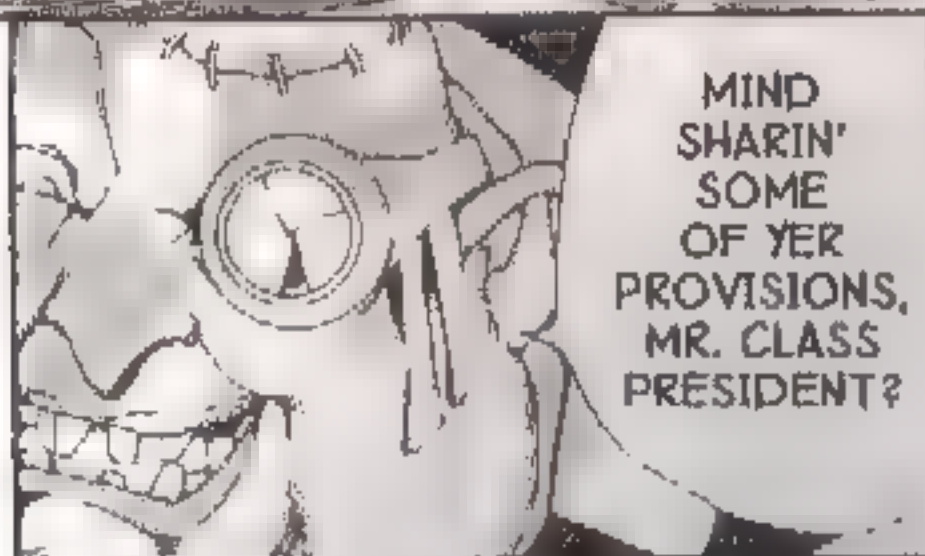
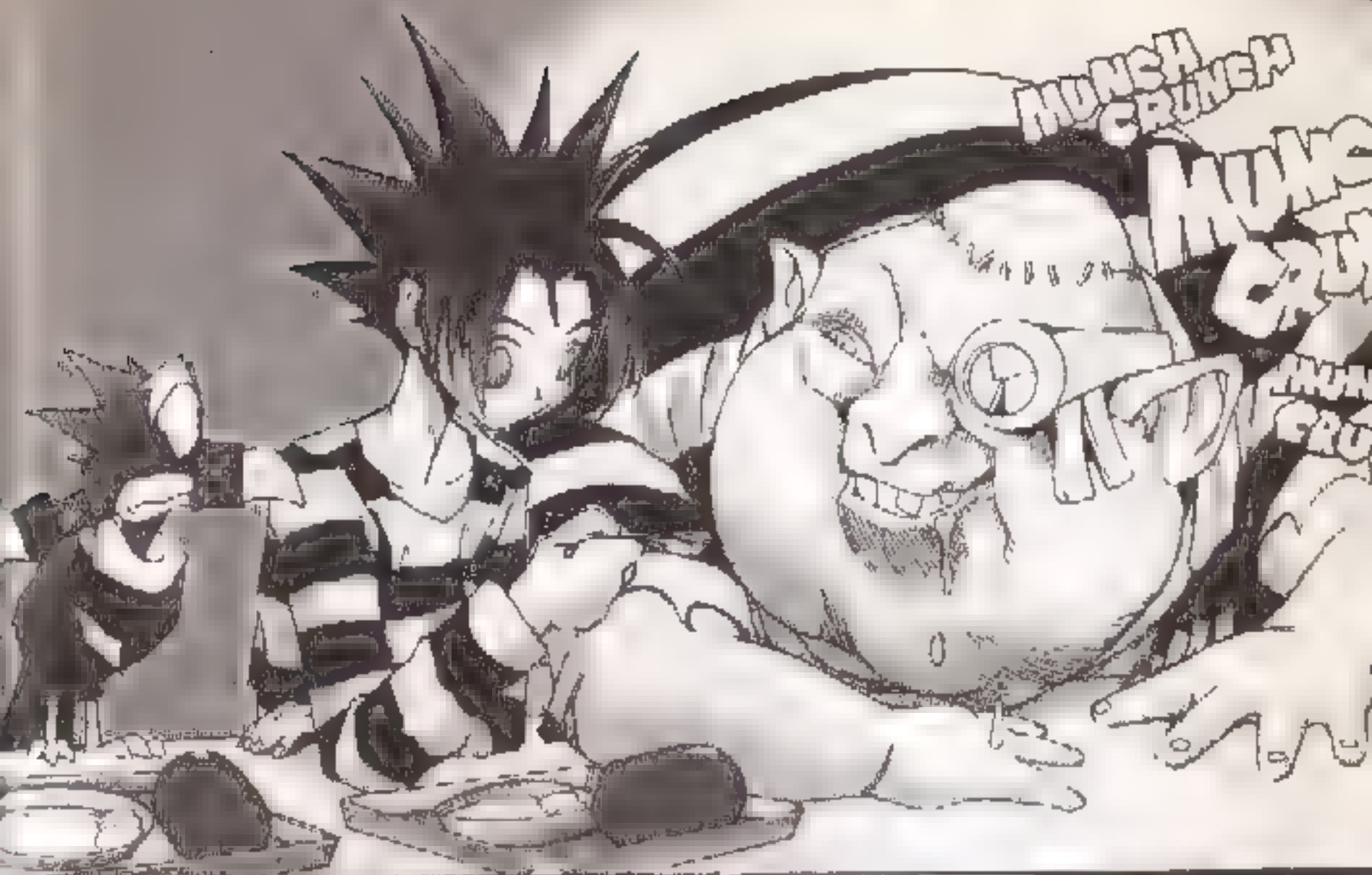
PLUMP



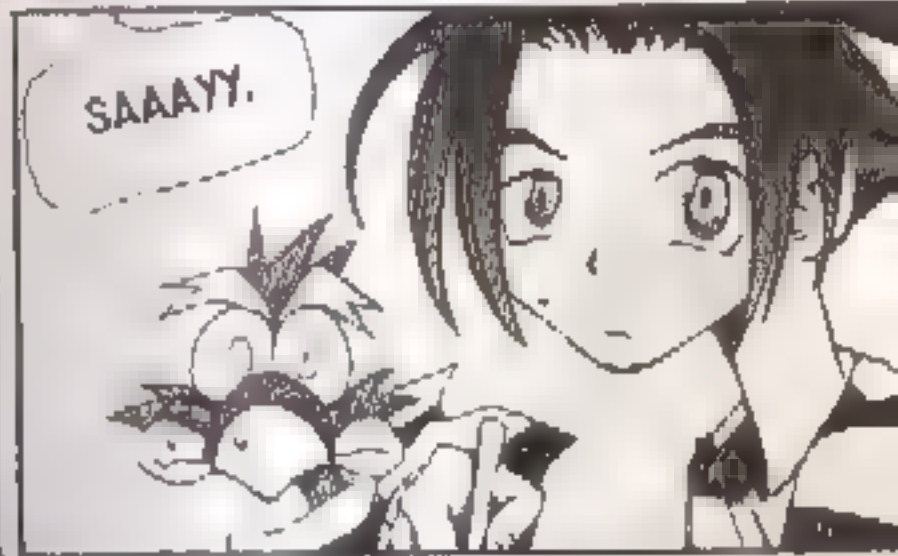








MIND
SHARIN'
SOME
OF YER
PROVISIONS,
MR. CLASS
PRESIDENT?



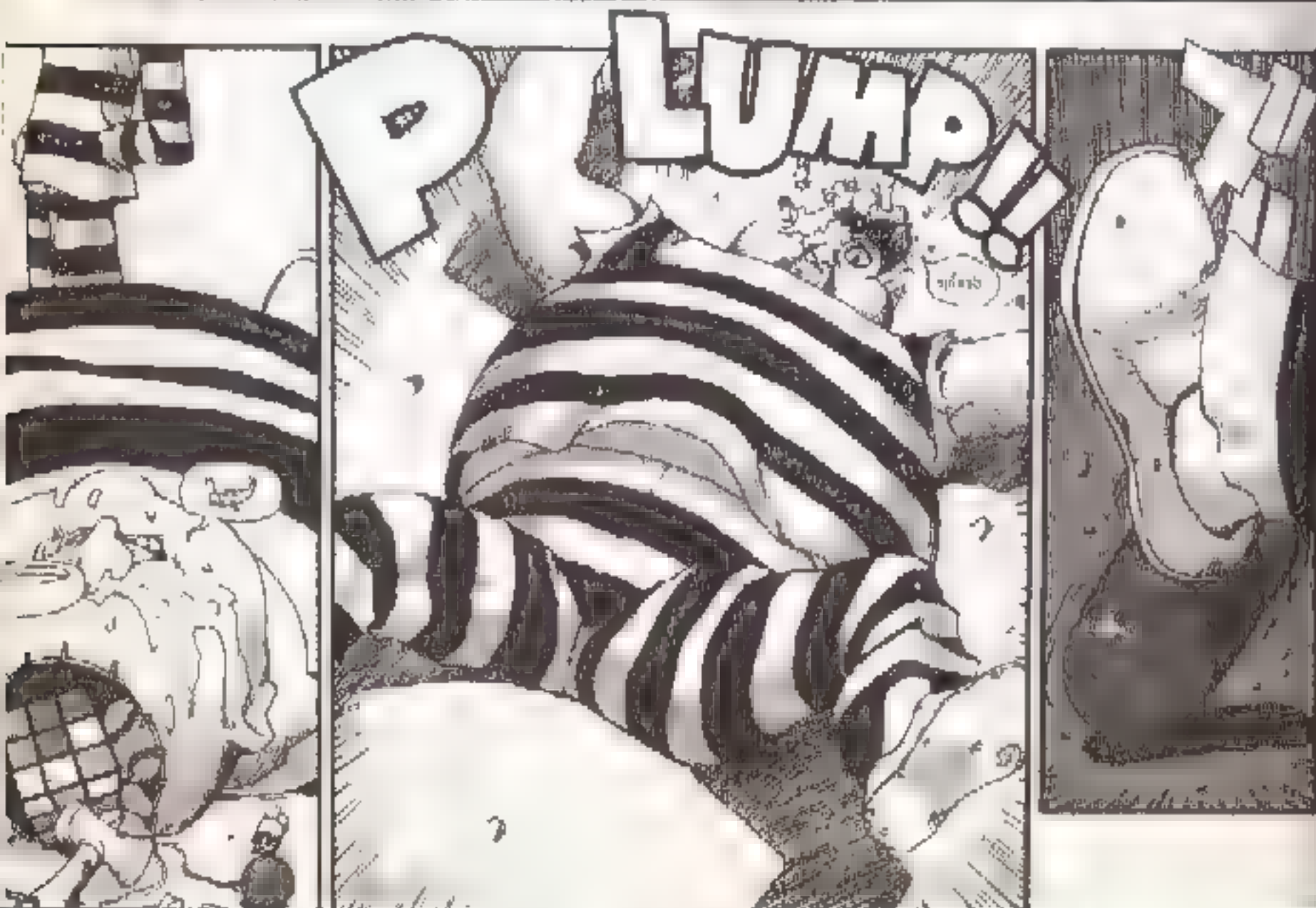
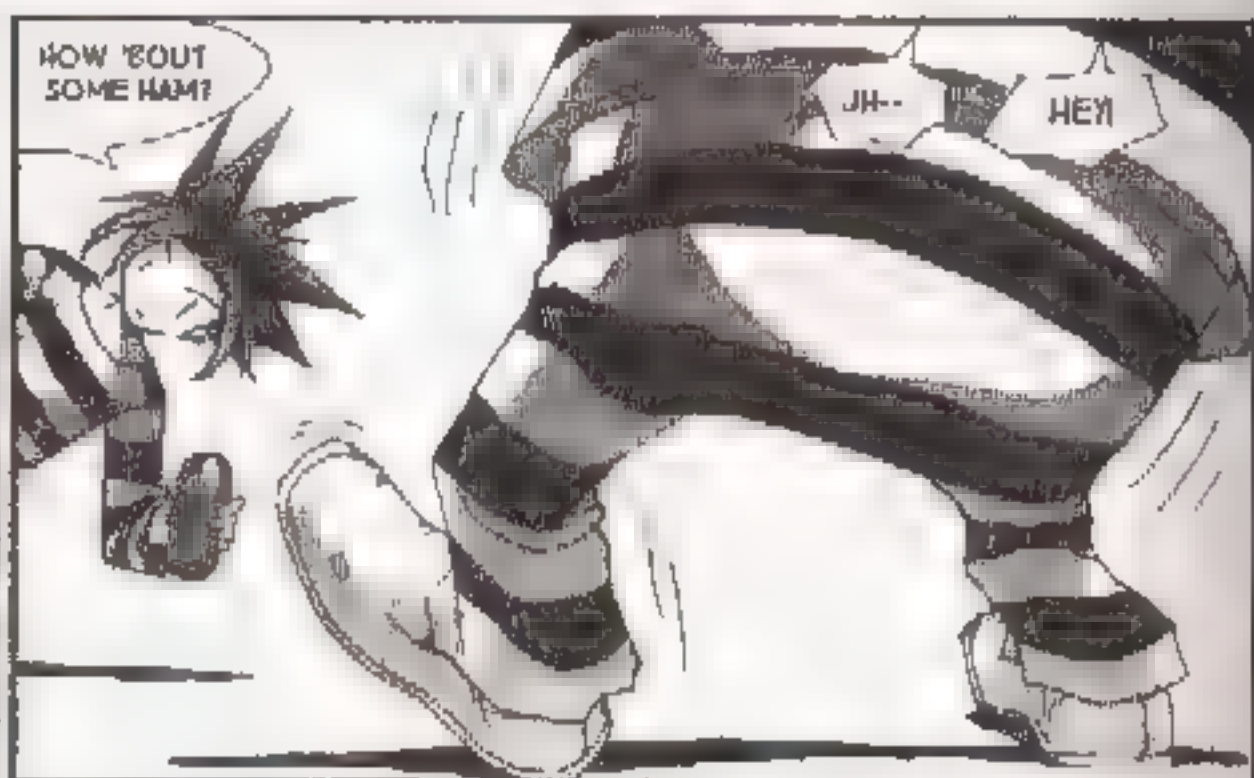
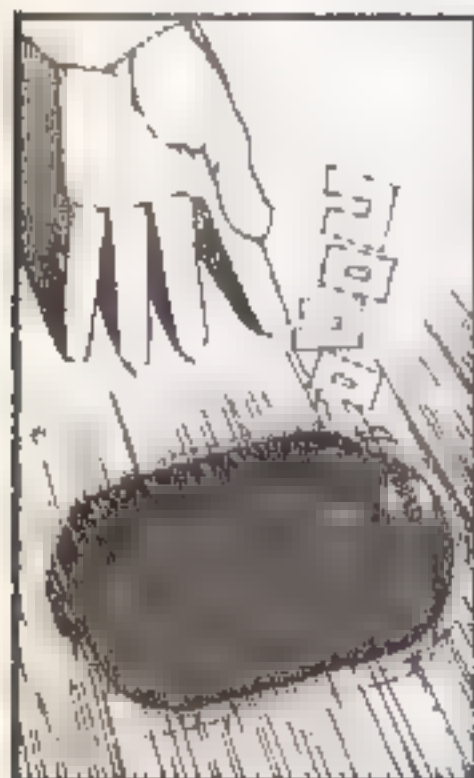
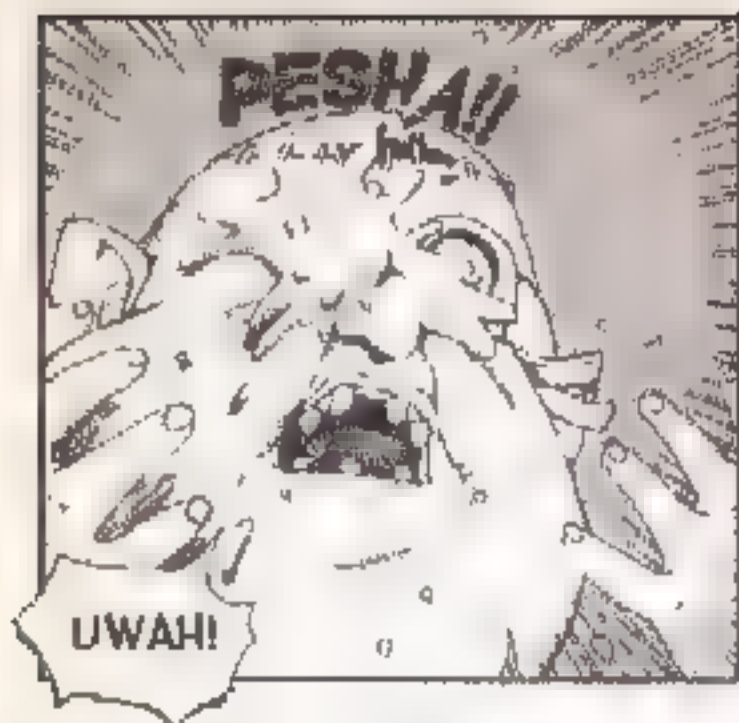
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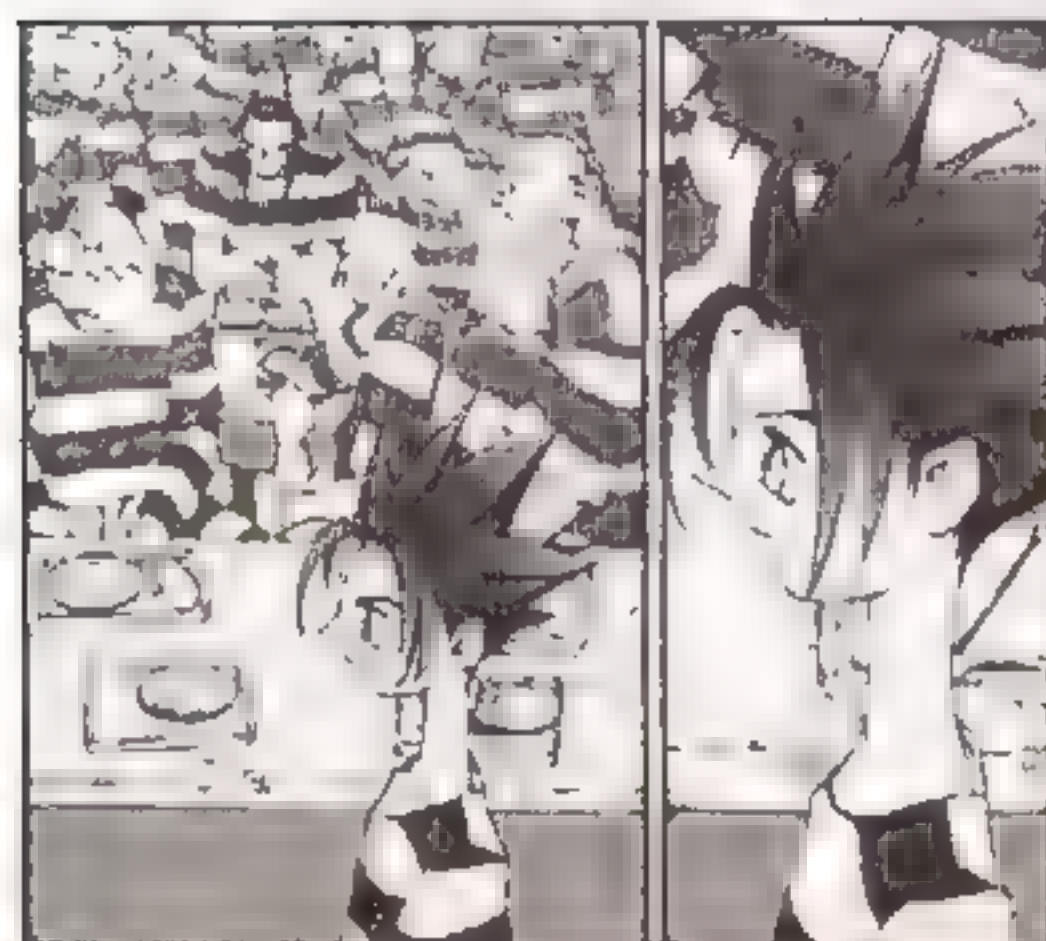
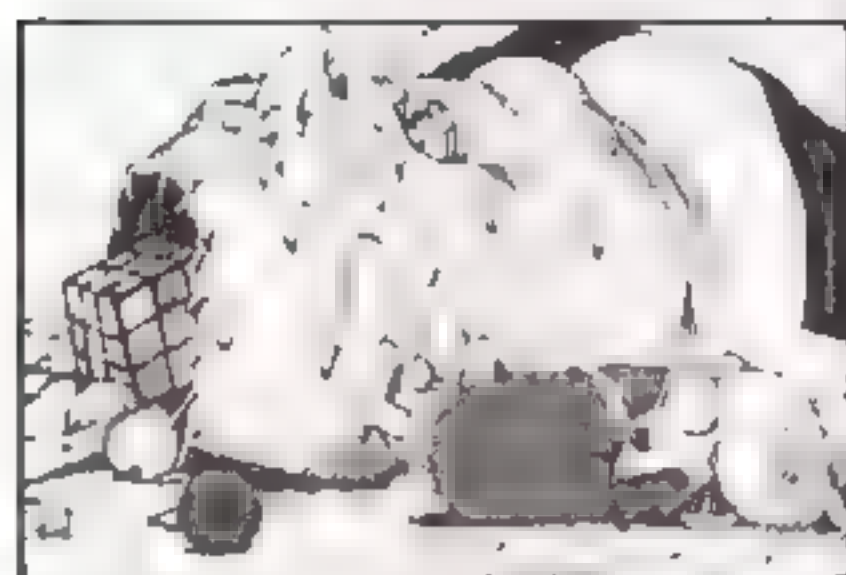
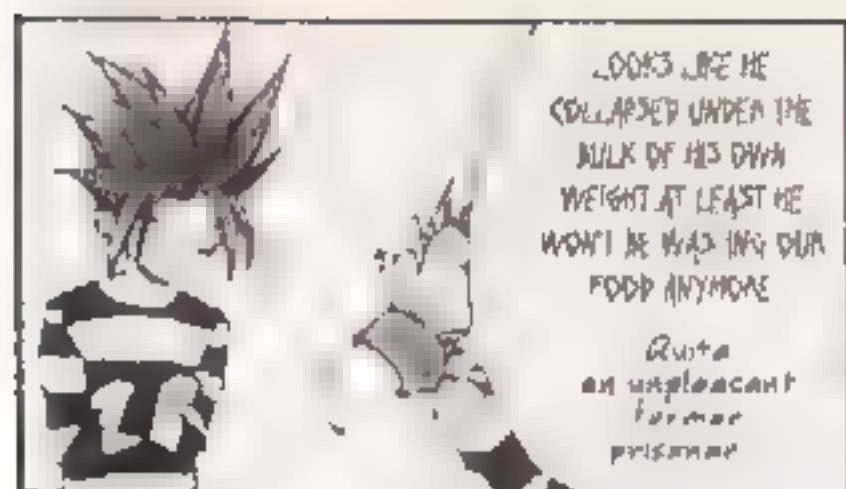


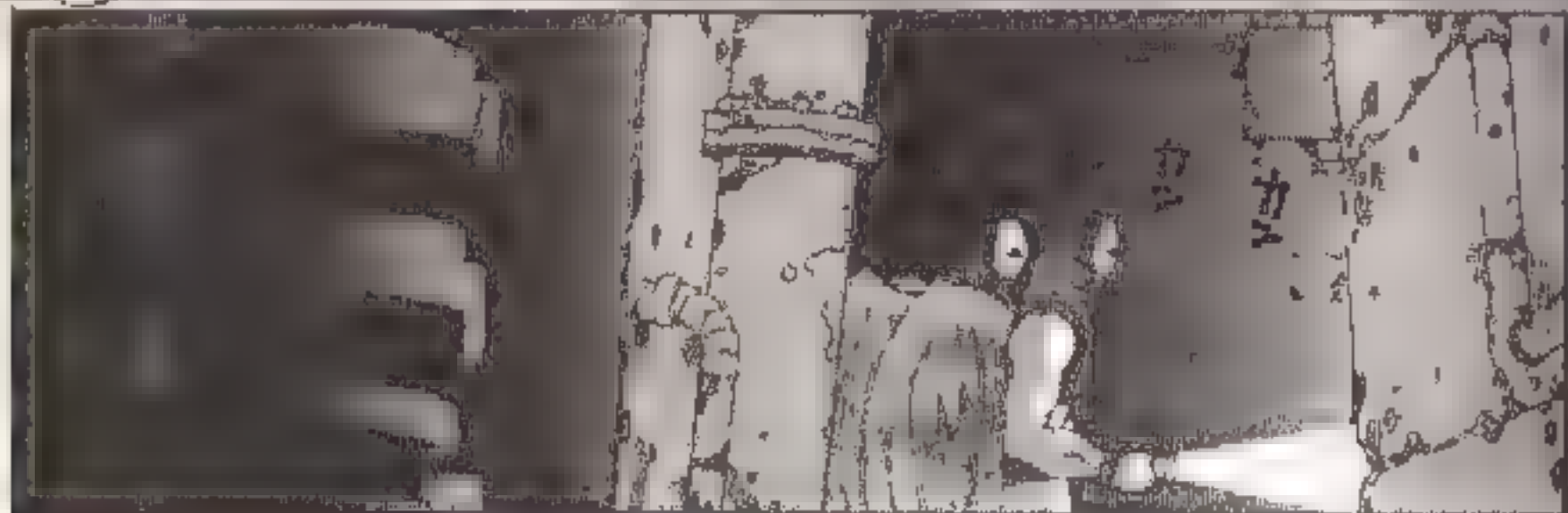
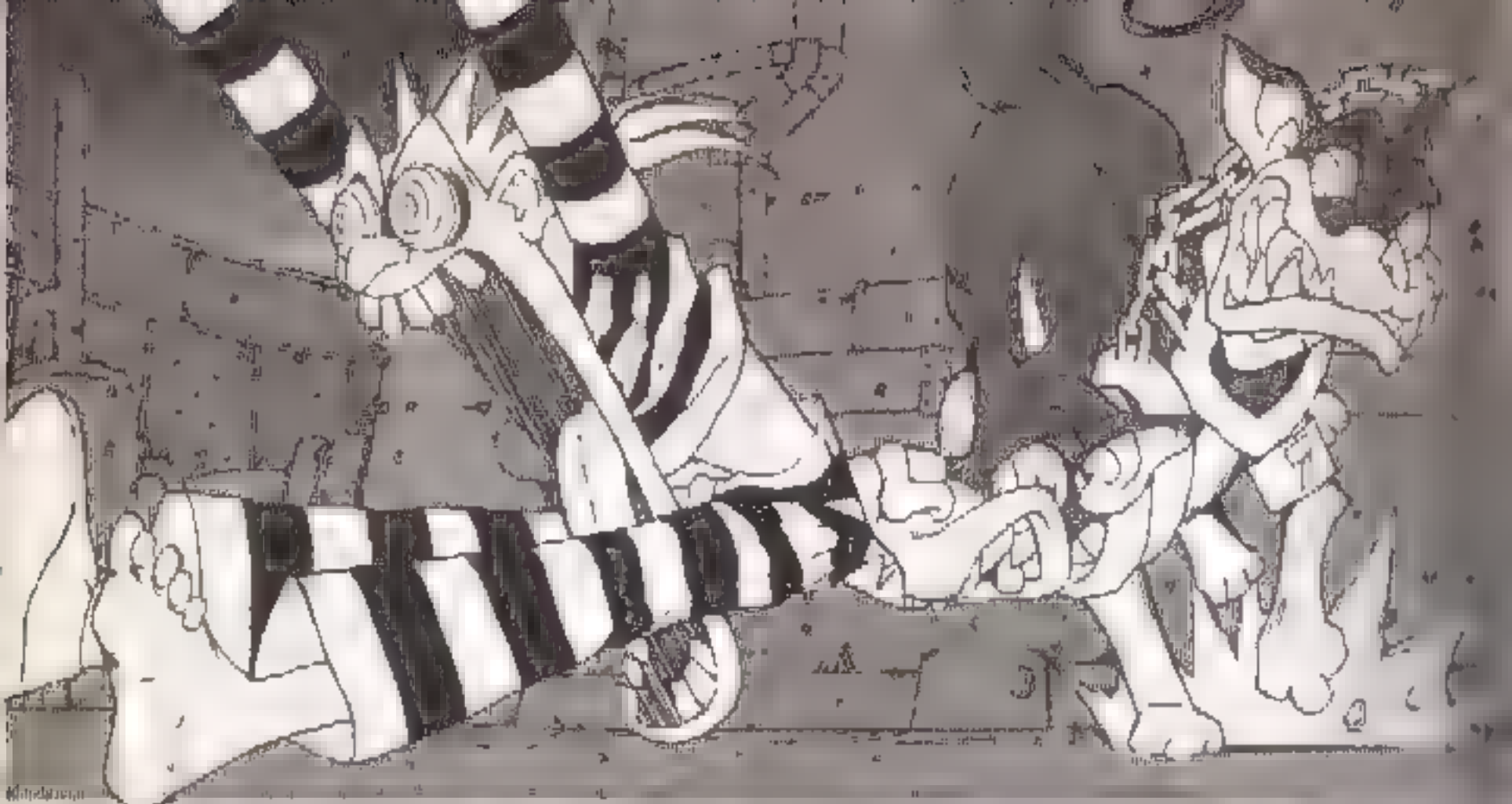
AWWWII
I'M GONNA
GRIND YOU
TA MINCE
MEAT
FER DAT!!!



THEN I
REQUEST A
SIZEABLE
CHUNK IN
RETURN!
ONE *BIG FAT*
PAYMENT,
DUE IN FULL,
DUE RIGHT
NOW.







AND LEAVE
BEHIND
TREASURE?
THAT'S NOT
LIKE YOU,
KIR

JING
YOU'RE A GOOD
ESCAPER, RIGHT?
WHAT SAY WE
BUST DUTTA HERE
PRONTO?

EH??
T-TREASURE?
HERE? BUT
W W WHAT
IS IT?

SO OF COURSE, HE USED IT—STOLE DREAMS THAT COULD HAVE BELONGED TO ANYONE, AND SOLD THEM TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER. BEFORE HE KNEW IT, HE WAS EXTREMELY RICH.

NOTHING LESS THAN A DREAM... ONE YOU COULD BUY OR SELL, ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD!

LONG AGO, THEY SAY THAT A CONJURER NAMED CAMPARI DISCOVERED SOMETHING CALLED A "DREAM ORB" WHICH COULD TURN DREAMS INTO CRYSTALS.

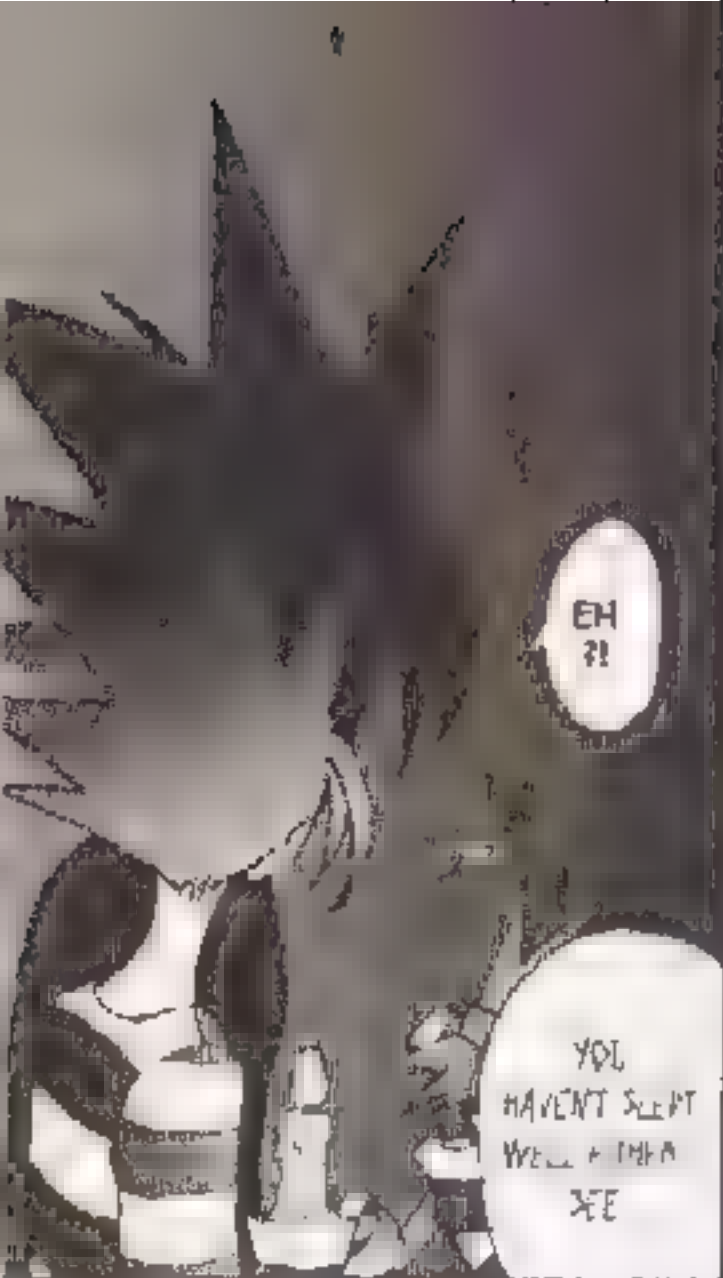
A D-DREAM? YOU MEAN THE KIND YOU HAVE WHEN YOU'RE ASLEEP?

BEFORE HE KNEW IT, CAMPARI WAS ALSO USING THE DREAM ORB FOR EXTORTION AND FRAUD. THAT'S WHY HE WAS THROWN IN HERE!!

BINGO!!

SOOOO UNNNNNND<> LIKE SOMETHING LIKE THAT COULD BE ABUSED

blazing



EH?
?!

YOU
HAVENT SLEPT
WELL + THAT
SEE

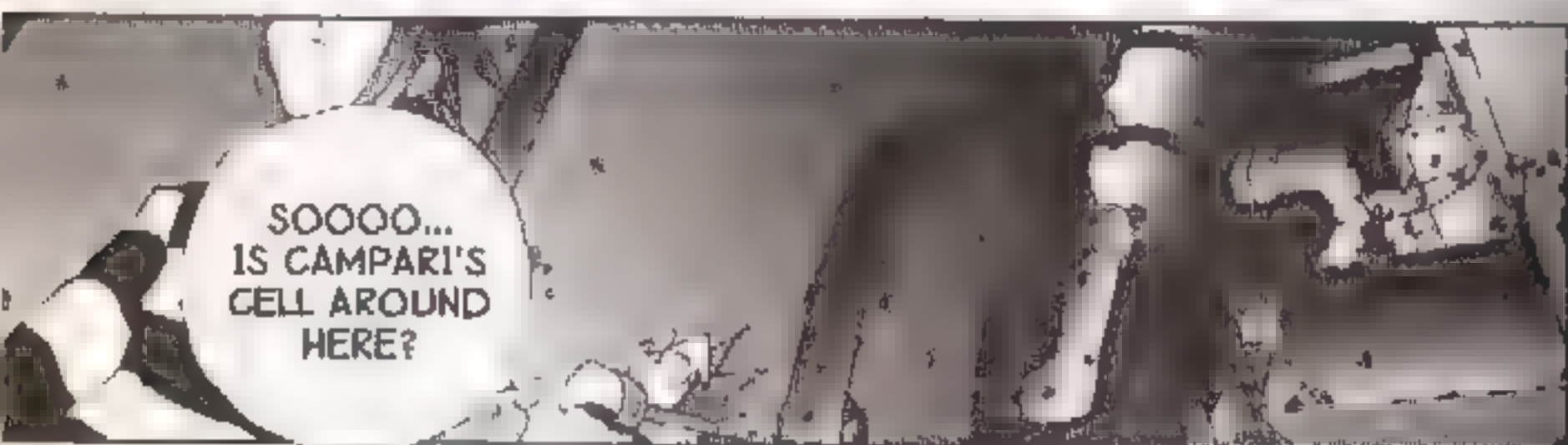


YEP.

SO YOU'RE
GONNA STEAL
THE DREAM DAD
FROM HIM?



NOW,
CAMPARI'S
CELL...



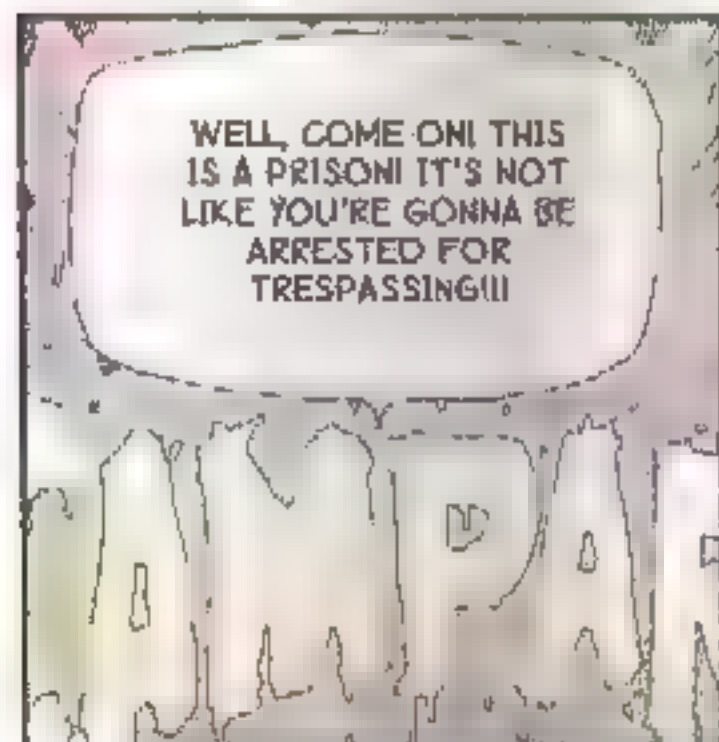
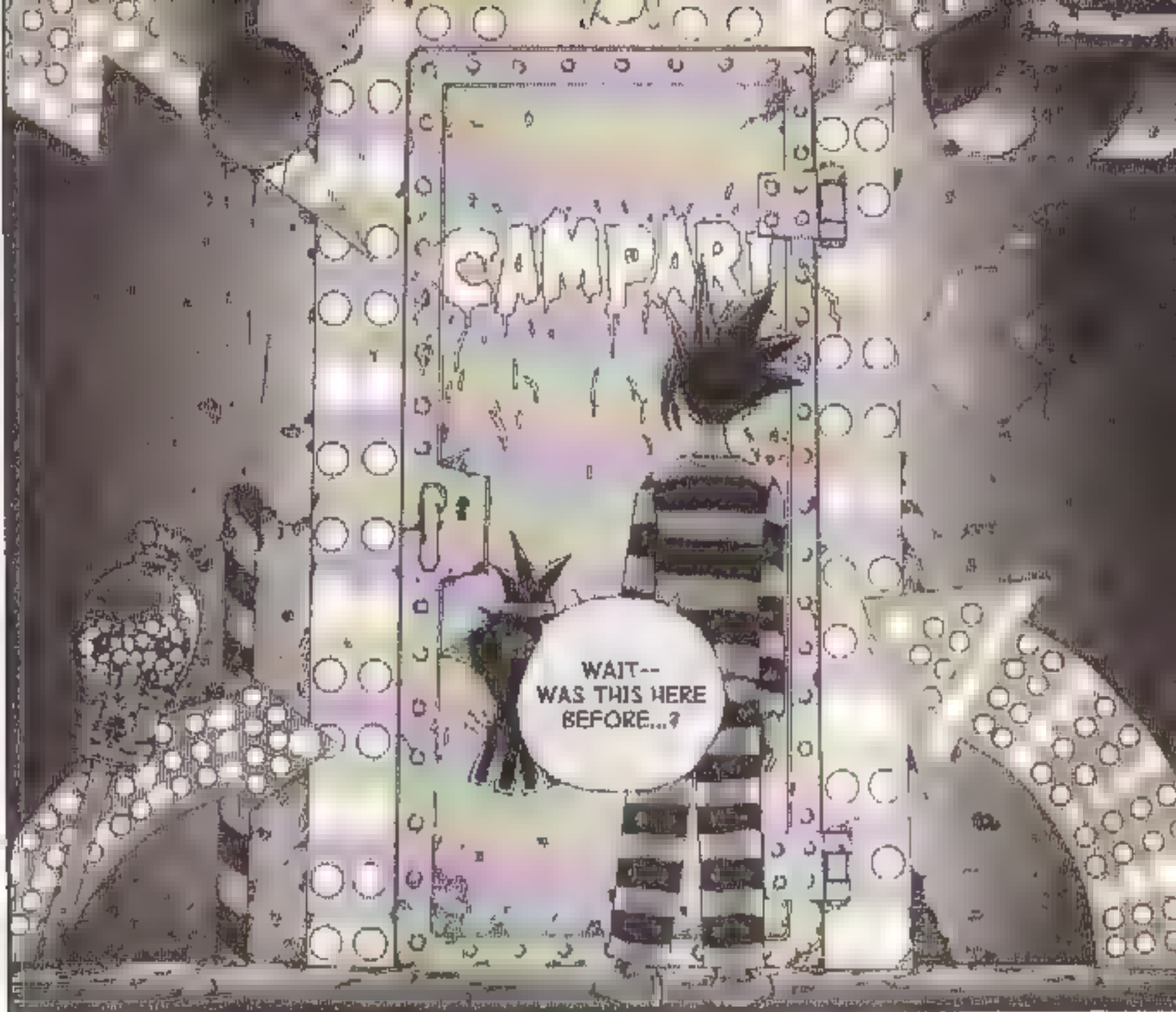
SOOOO...
IS CAMPARI'S
CELL AROUND
HERE?



HEY JING!
THINK WE'VE FOUND
OUR MAN

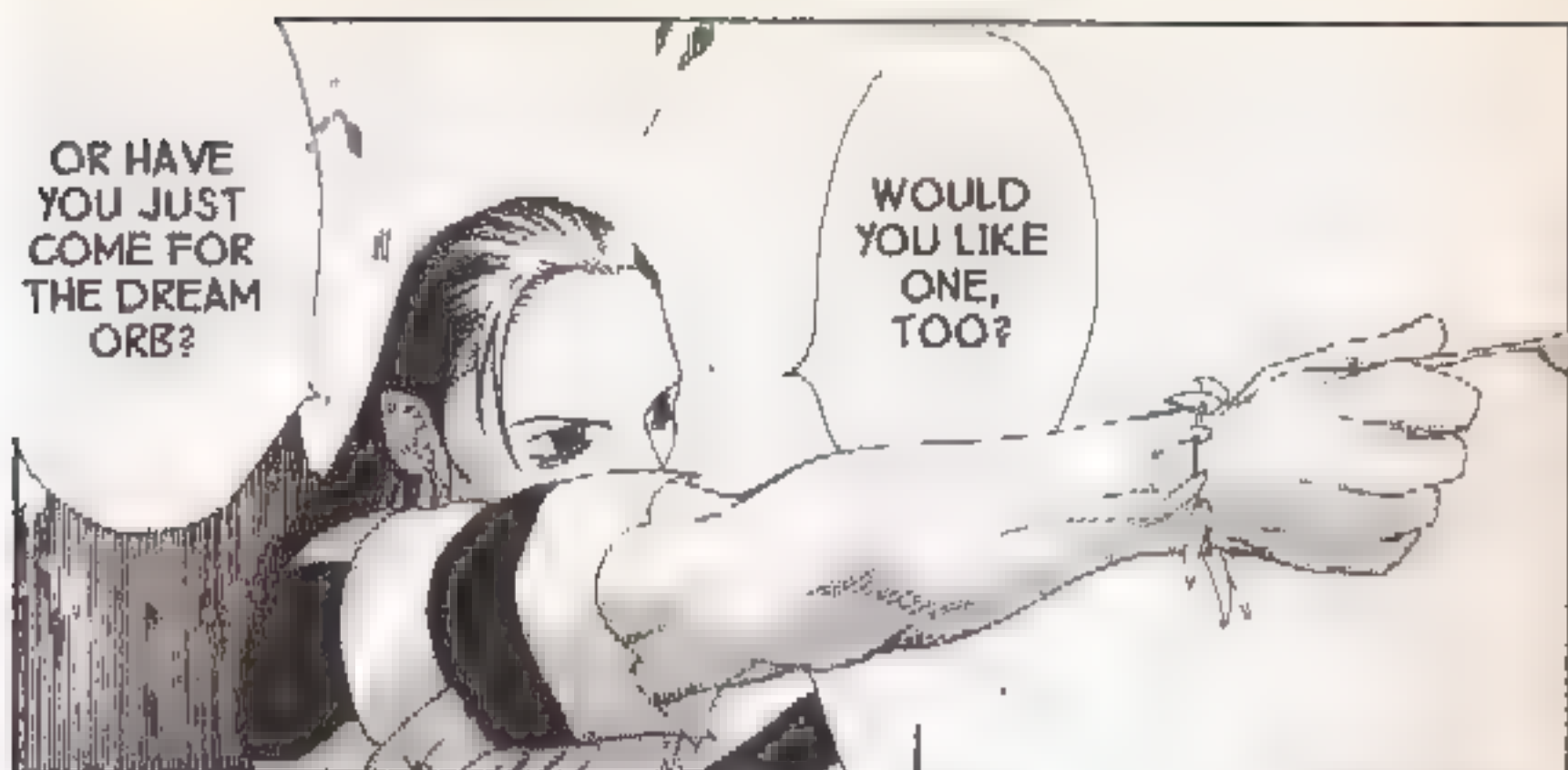


IT SHOULD BE,
BUT...I DON'T
SEE ANYTHING
THAT LOOKS
LIKE..



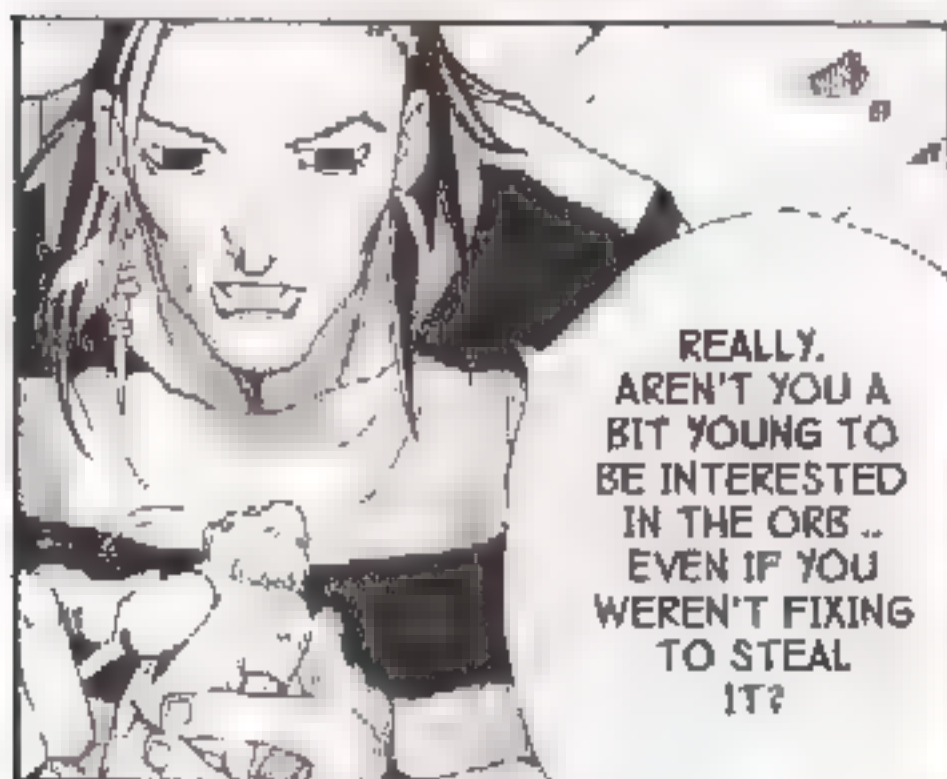
GACHA...





OR HAVE
YOU JUST
COME FOR
THE DREAM
ORB?

WOULD
YOU LIKE
ONE,
TOO?



REALLY.
AREN'T YOU A
BIT YOUNG TO
BE INTERESTED
IN THE ORB..
EVEN IF YOU
WEREN'T FIXING
TO STEAL
IT?



N-no, not
at all!!

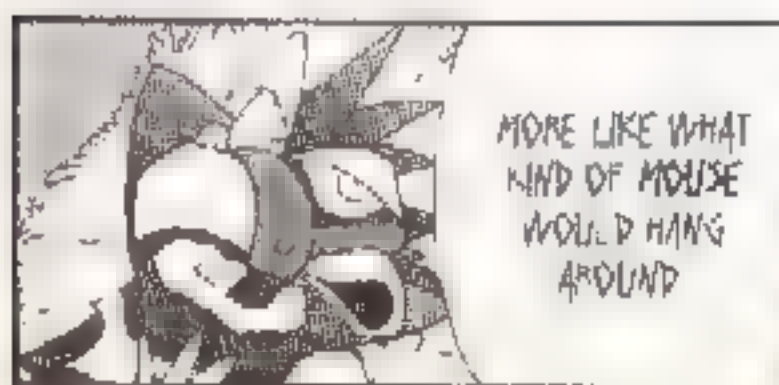
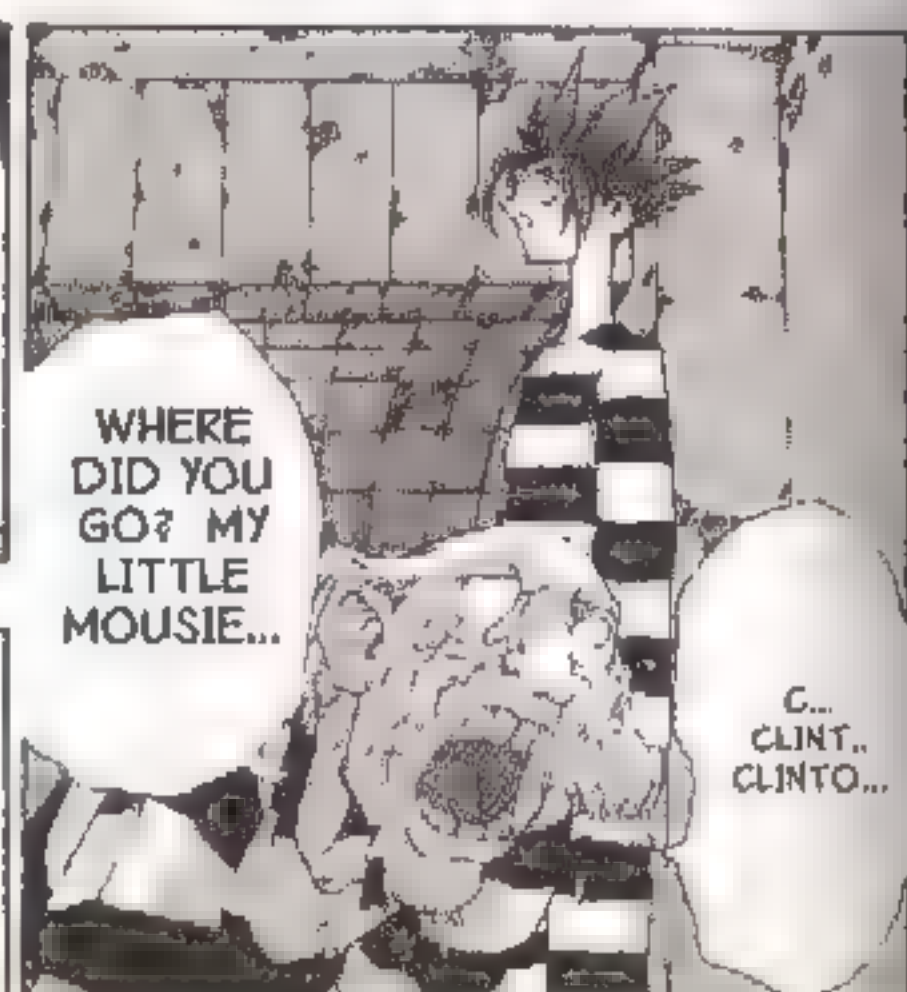
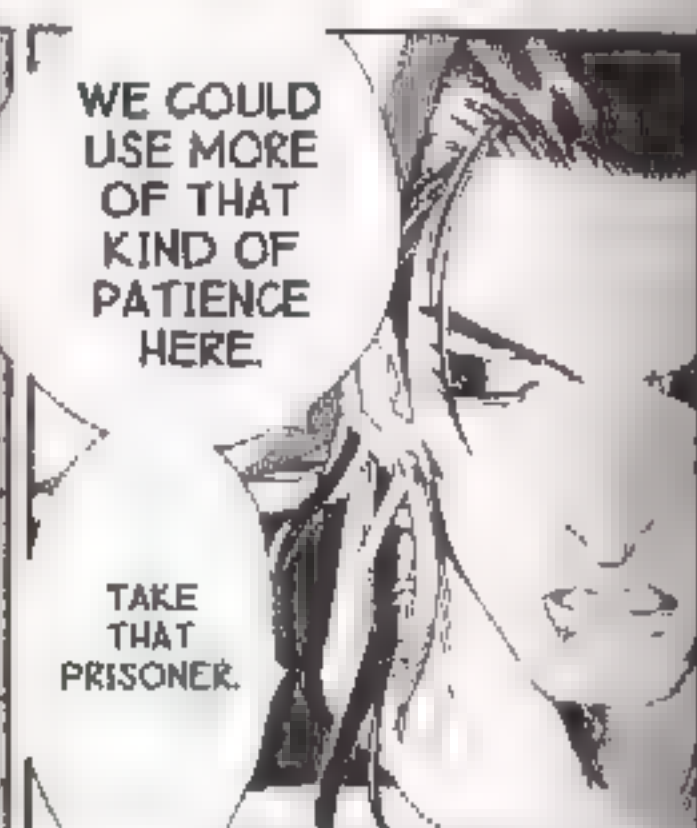
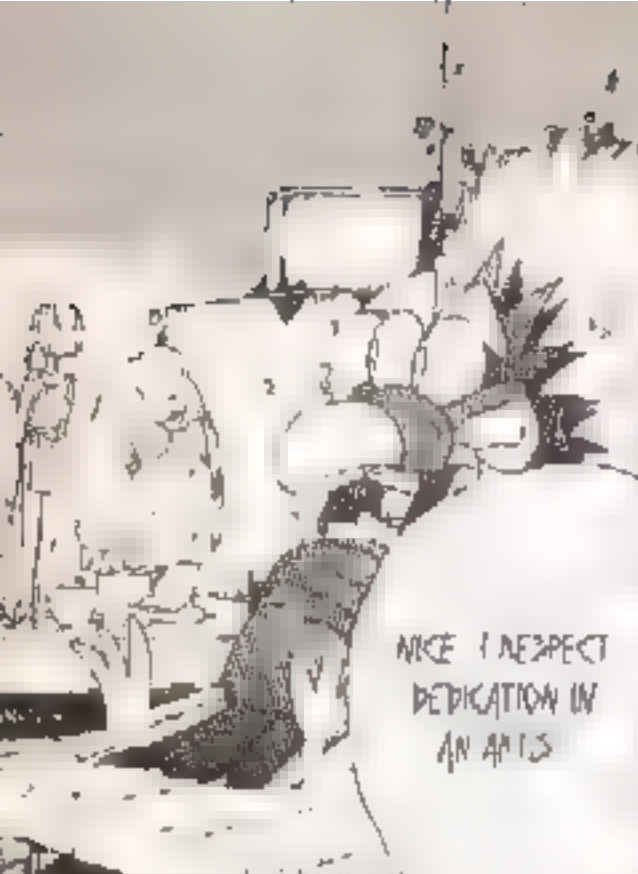


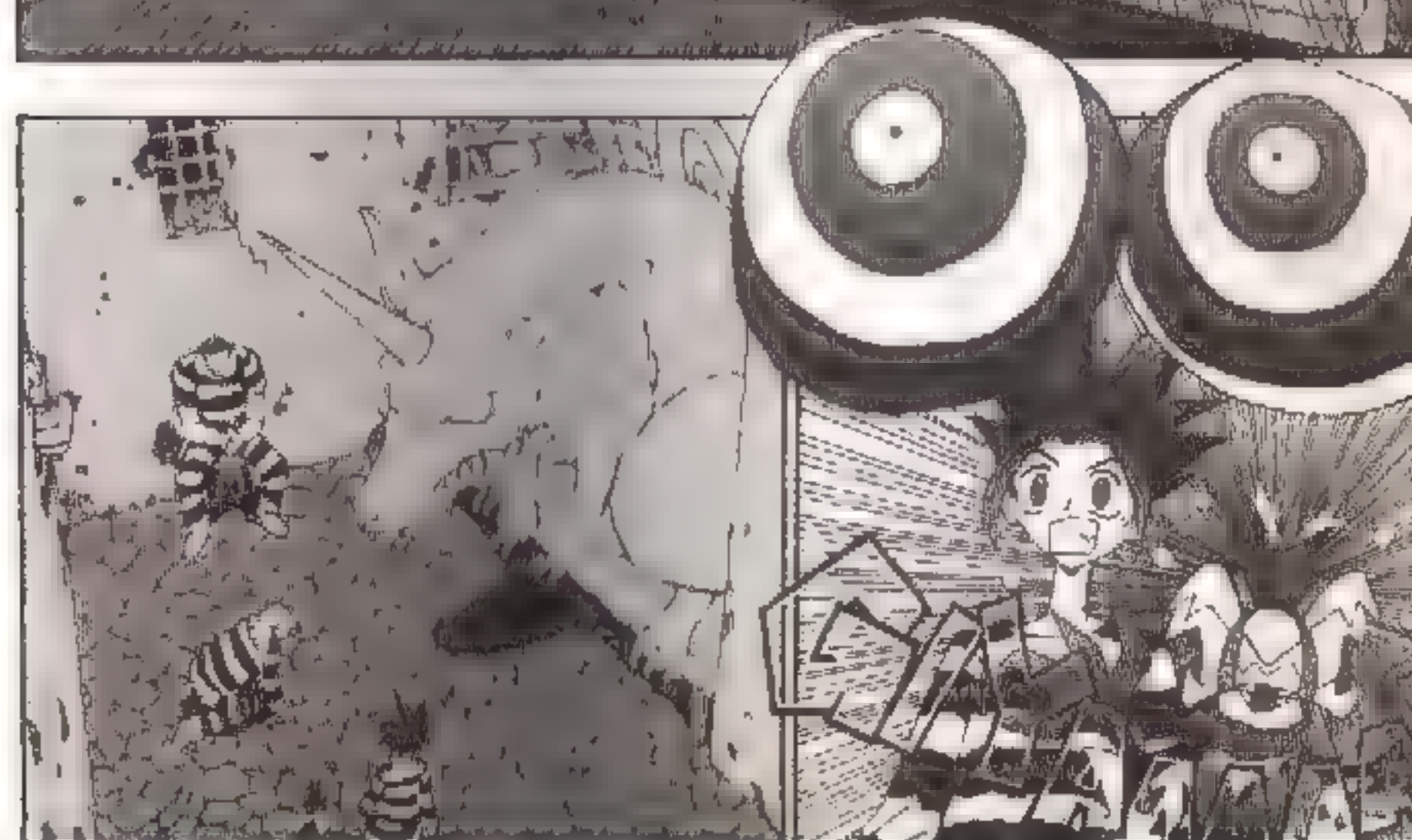
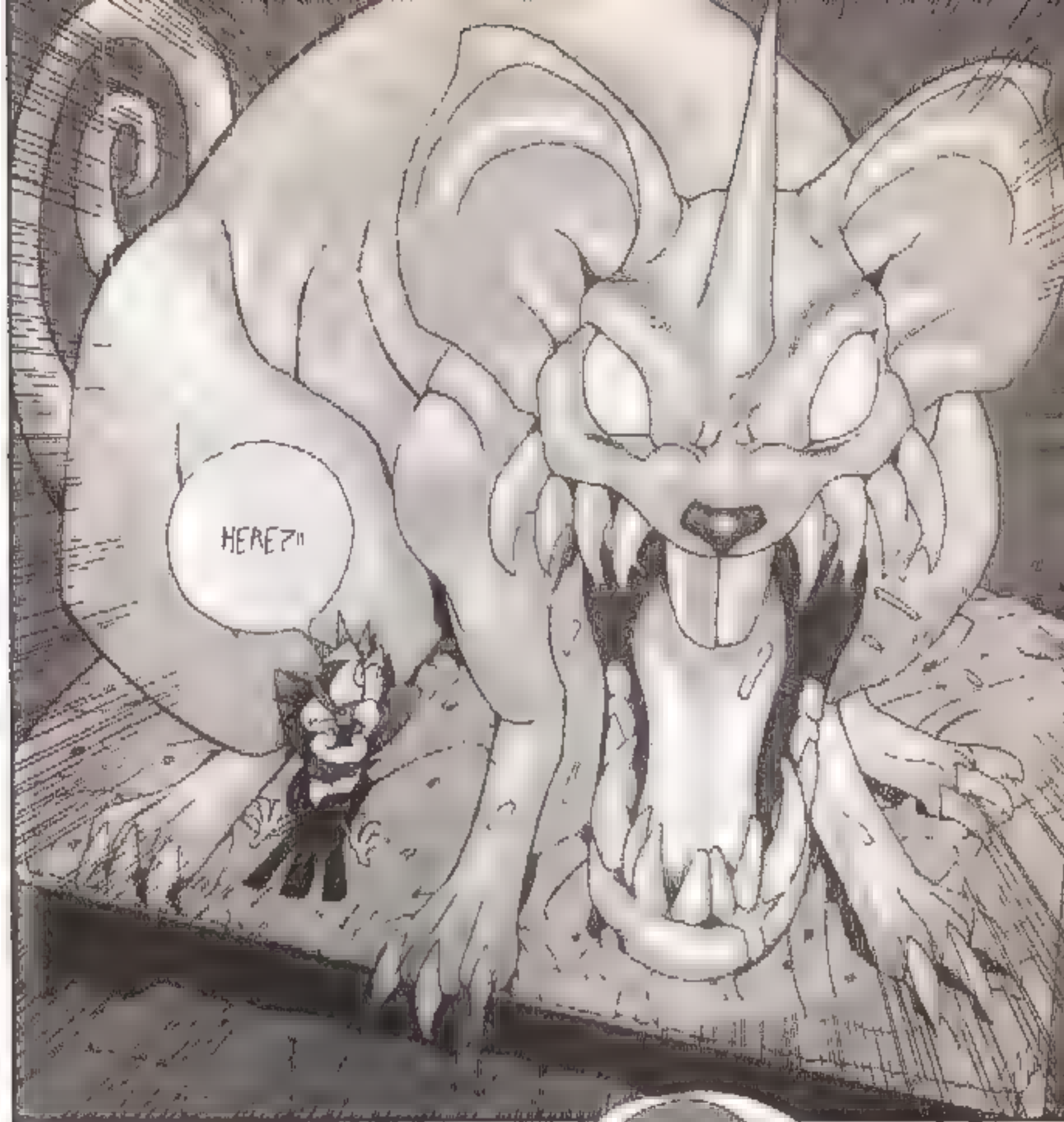
DDDDHH!
THIS IS MY
DREAM GIRL!!!



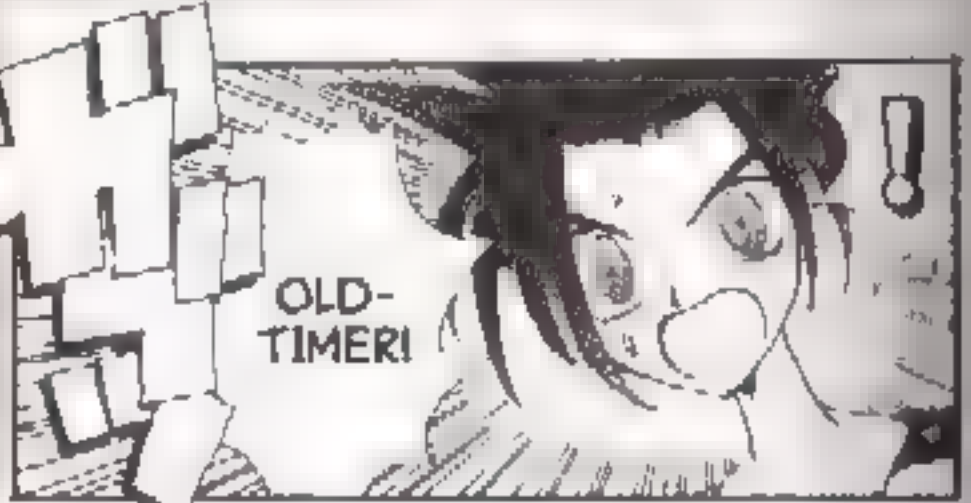
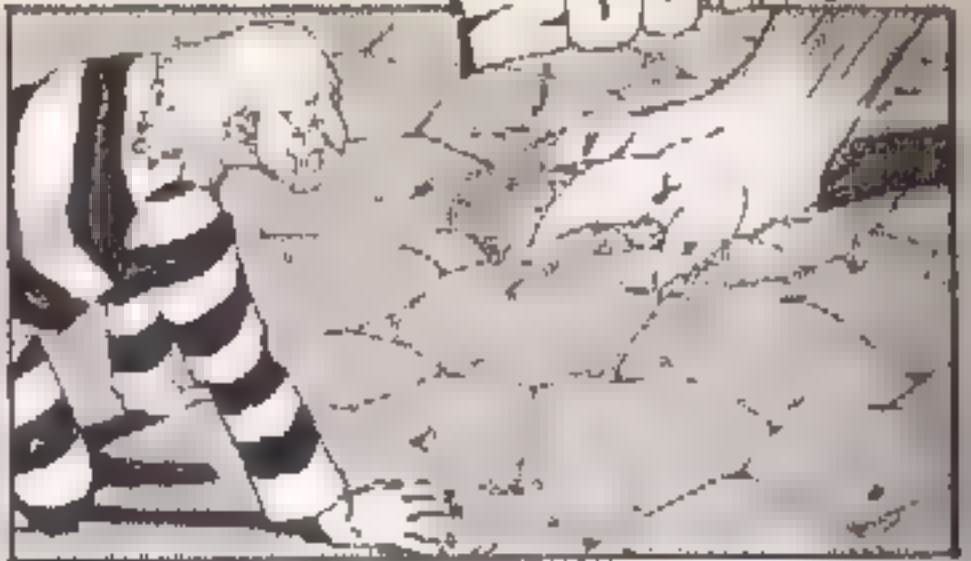
WHAT CAN I
SAY? I'M
THAT RARE
DREAMER
WHO CHASES
OTHER
PEOPLE'S
DREAMS!







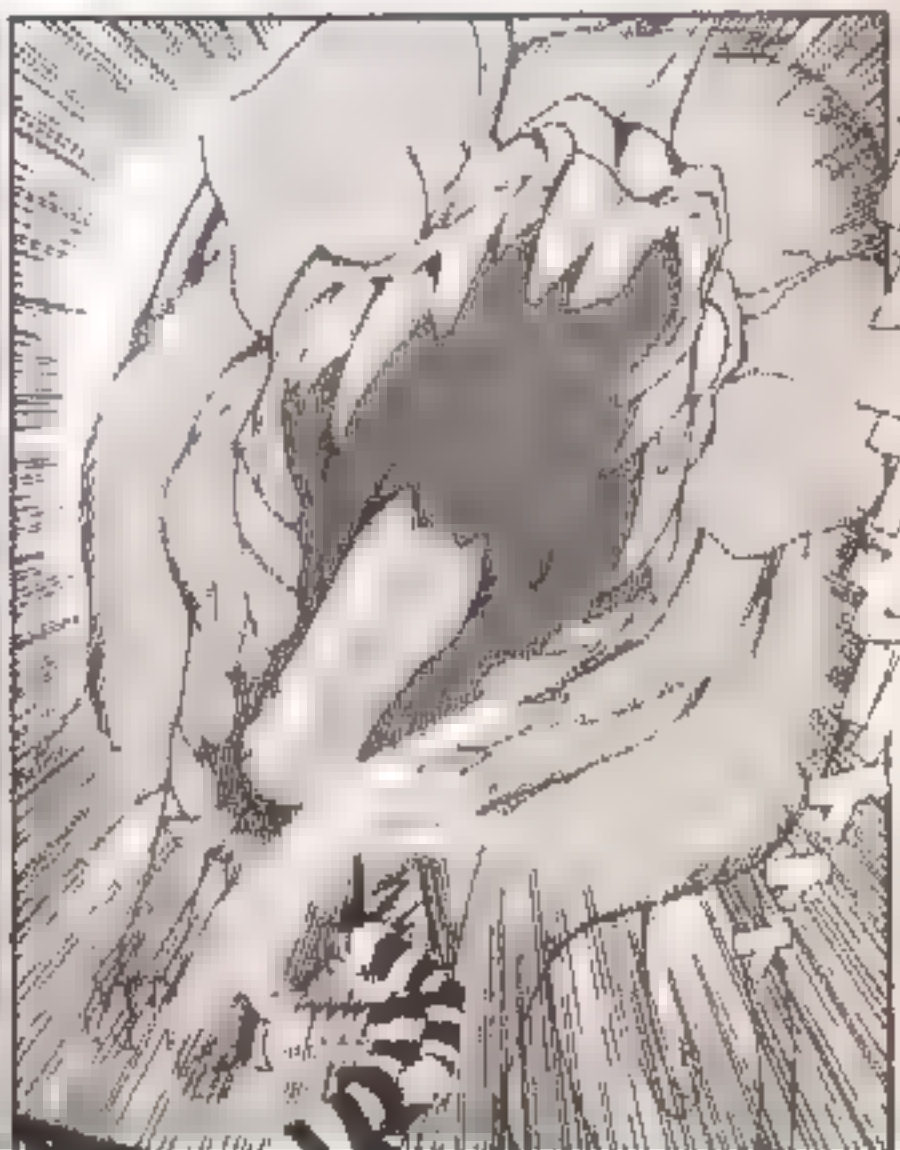
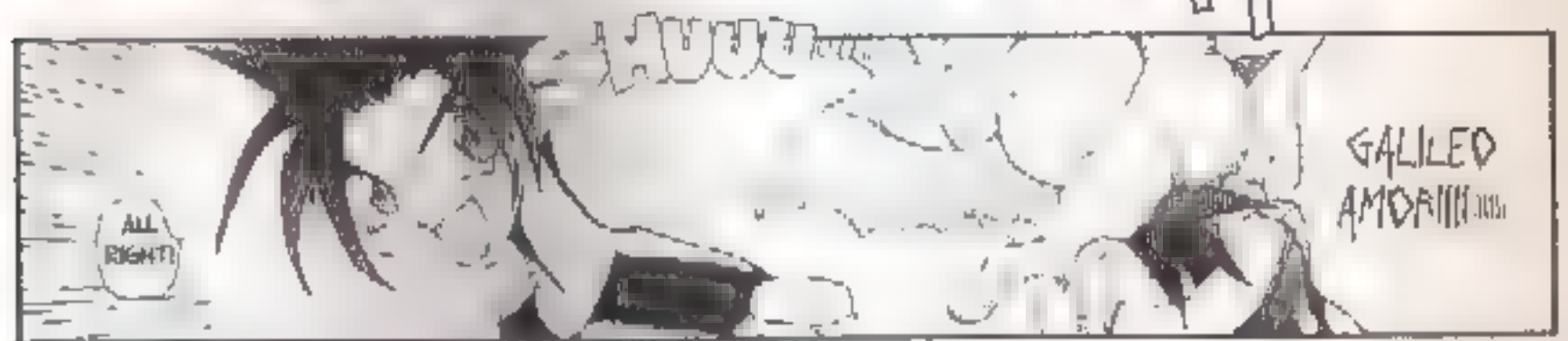
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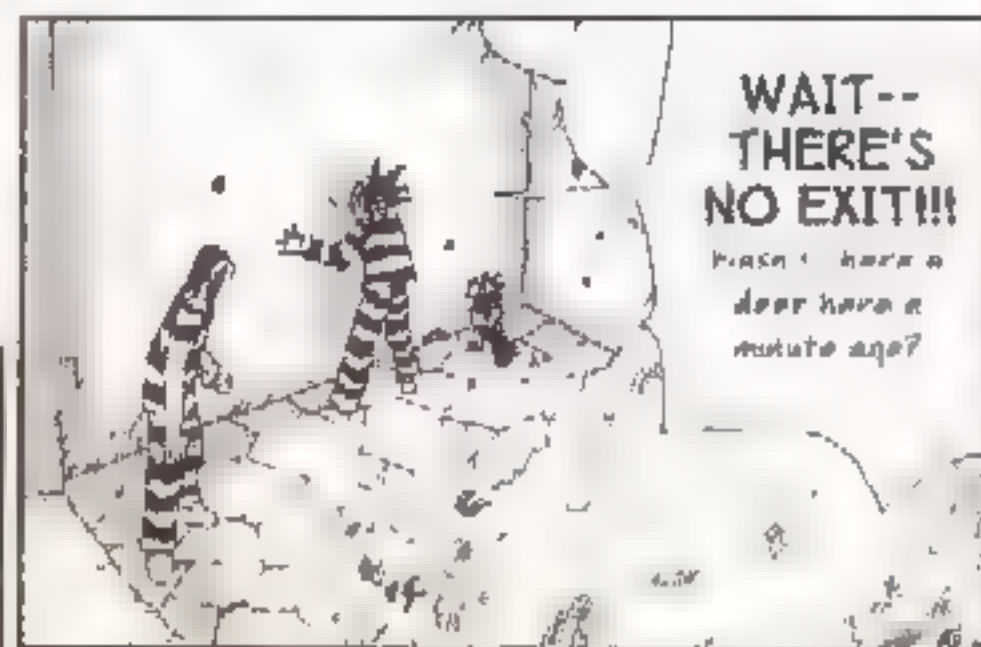
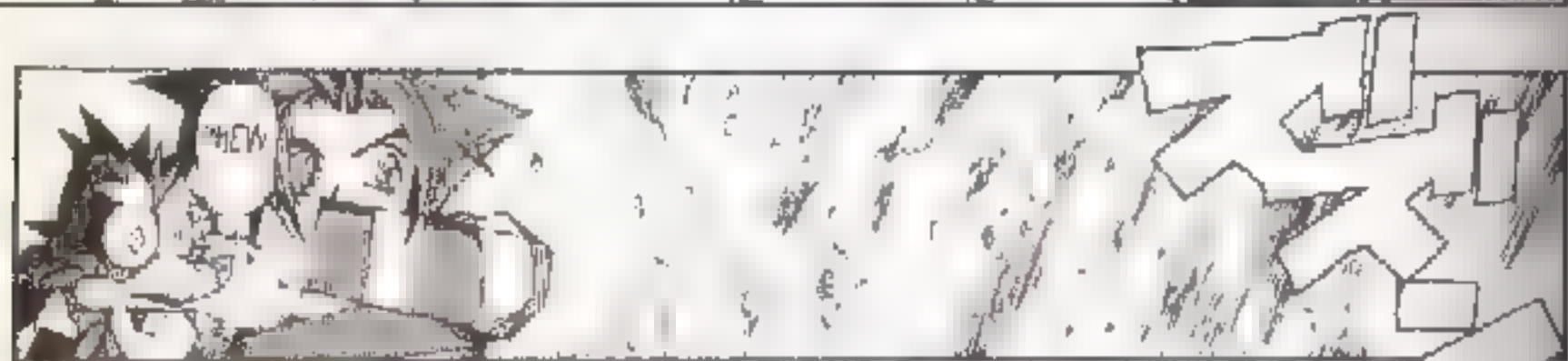
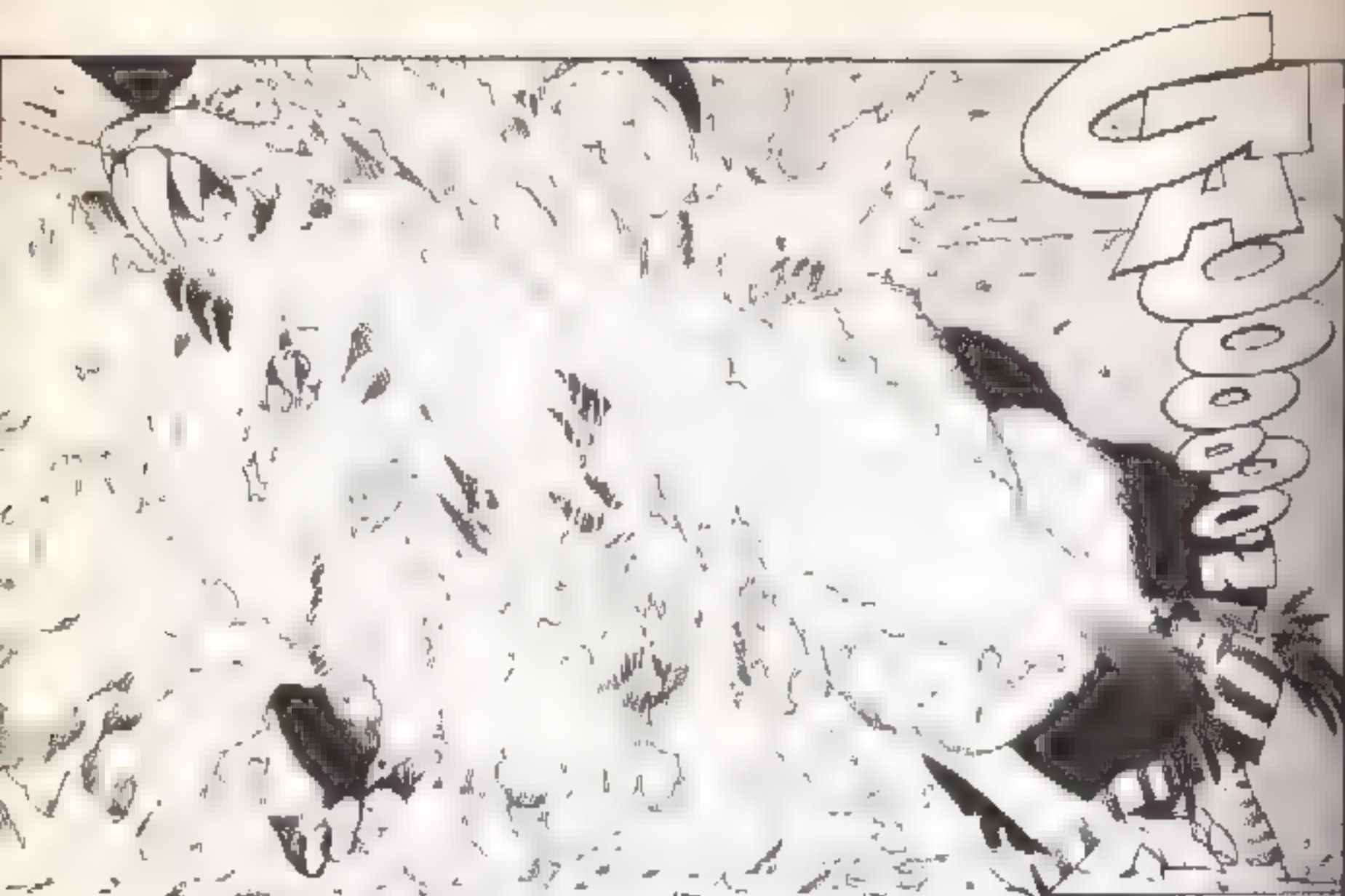


EH, THESE
MASKS
COME OFF
PRETTY
EASILY...
SEE?



I
CAN'T USE
KIR ROYALE
BECAUSE
KIR'S STUCK
IN THAT
MASK... WHAT
DO I DO?!



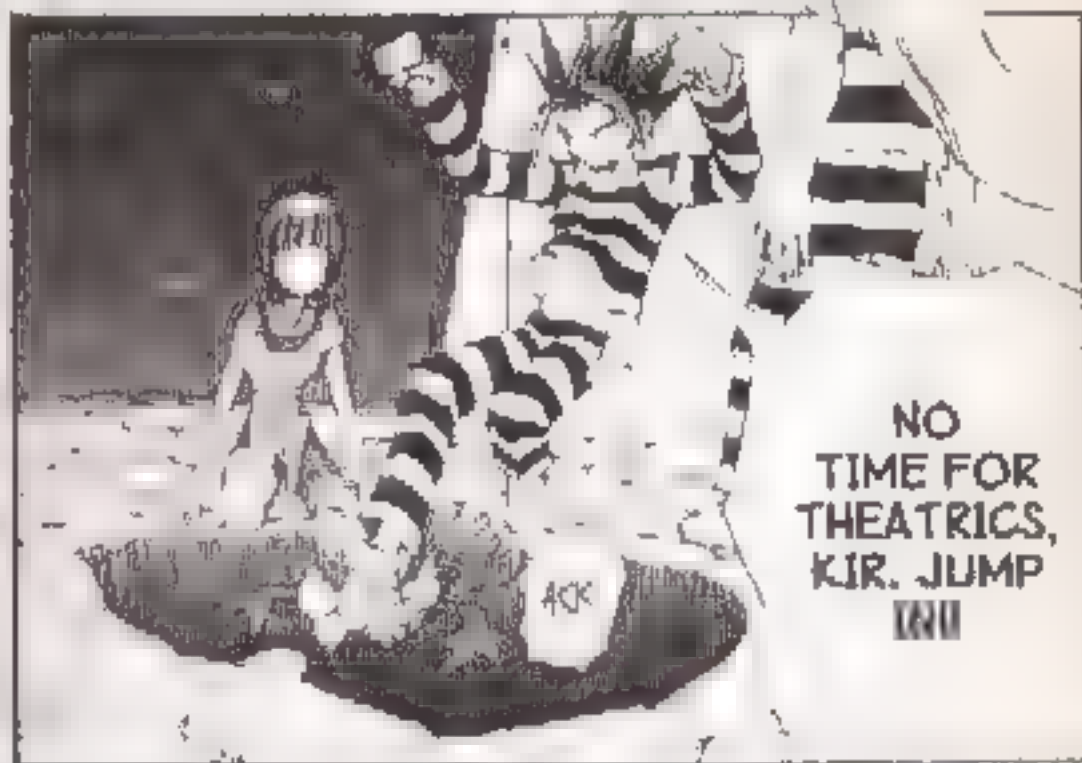




WELL,
WE'LL PLEASED
TO MEET YOU

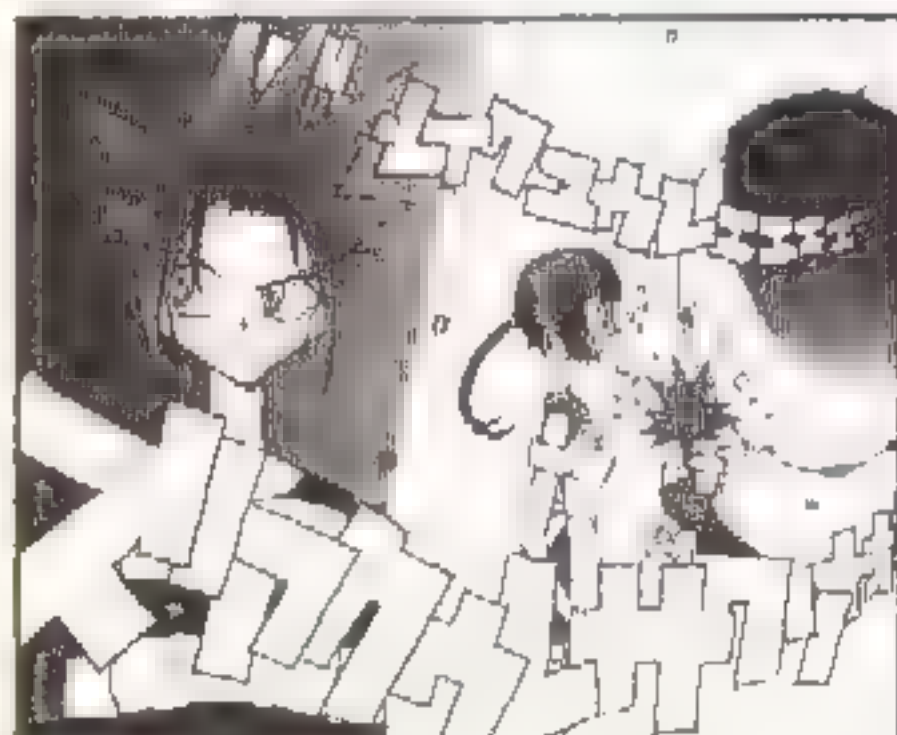


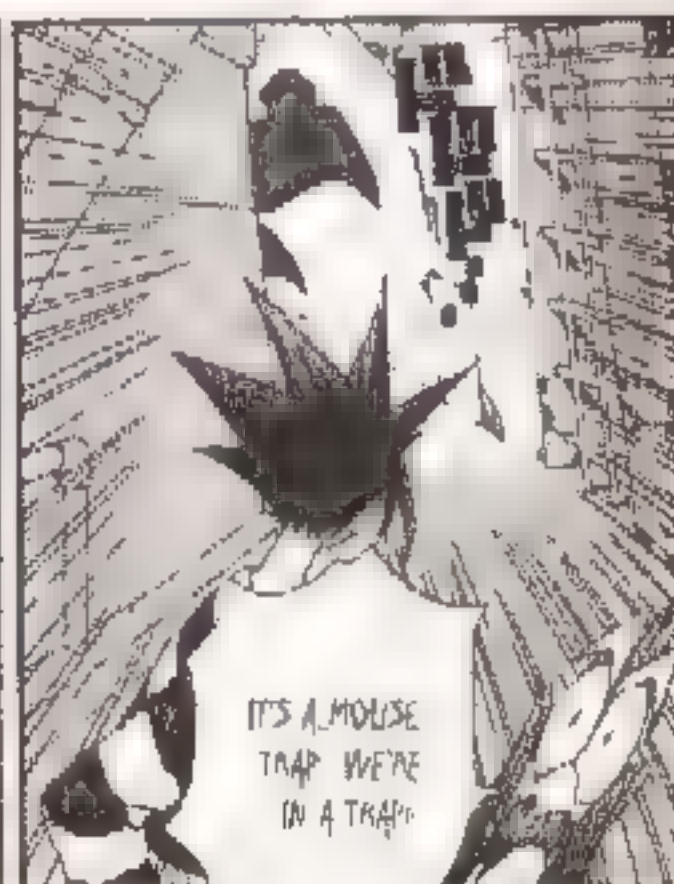
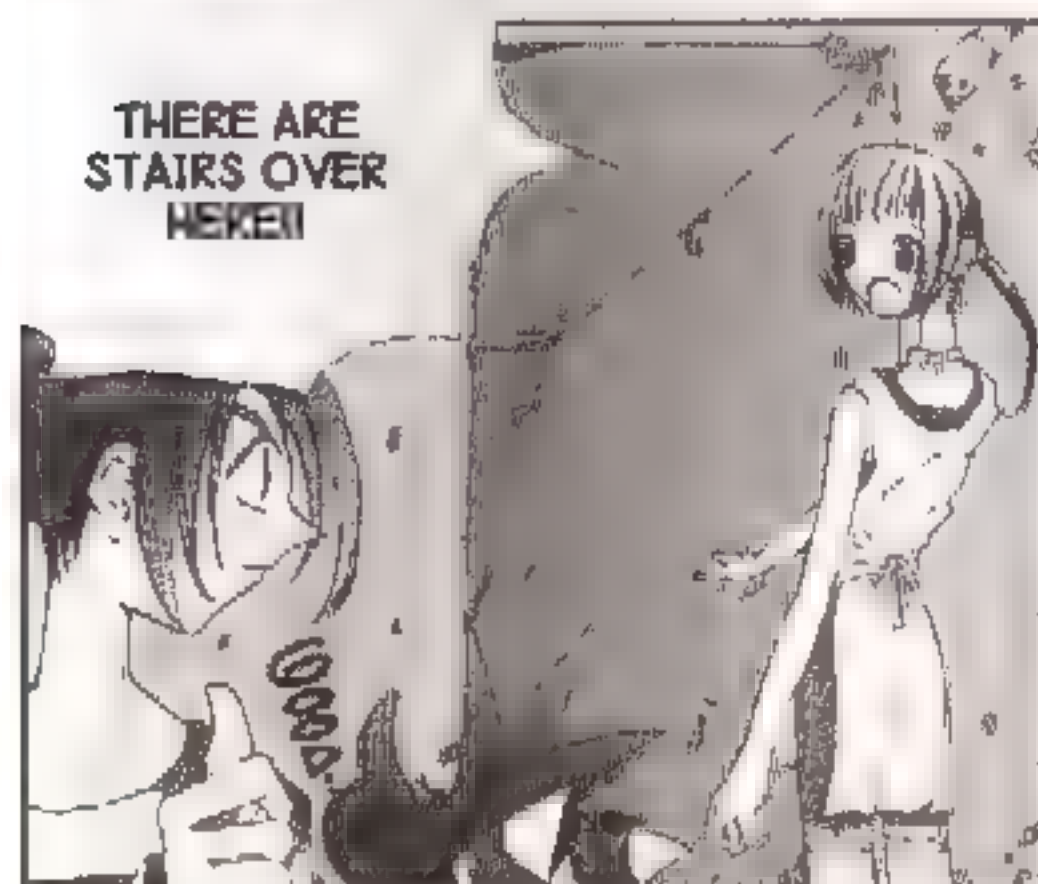
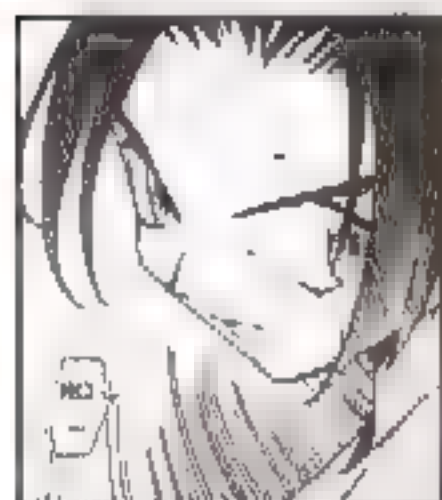
THIS IS
THE ONLY
WAY
OUT!!!

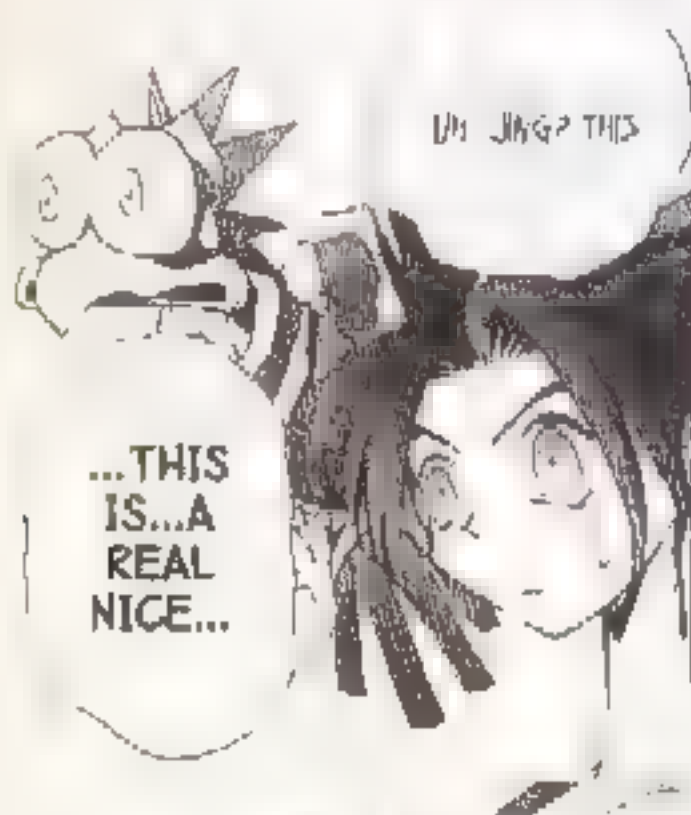
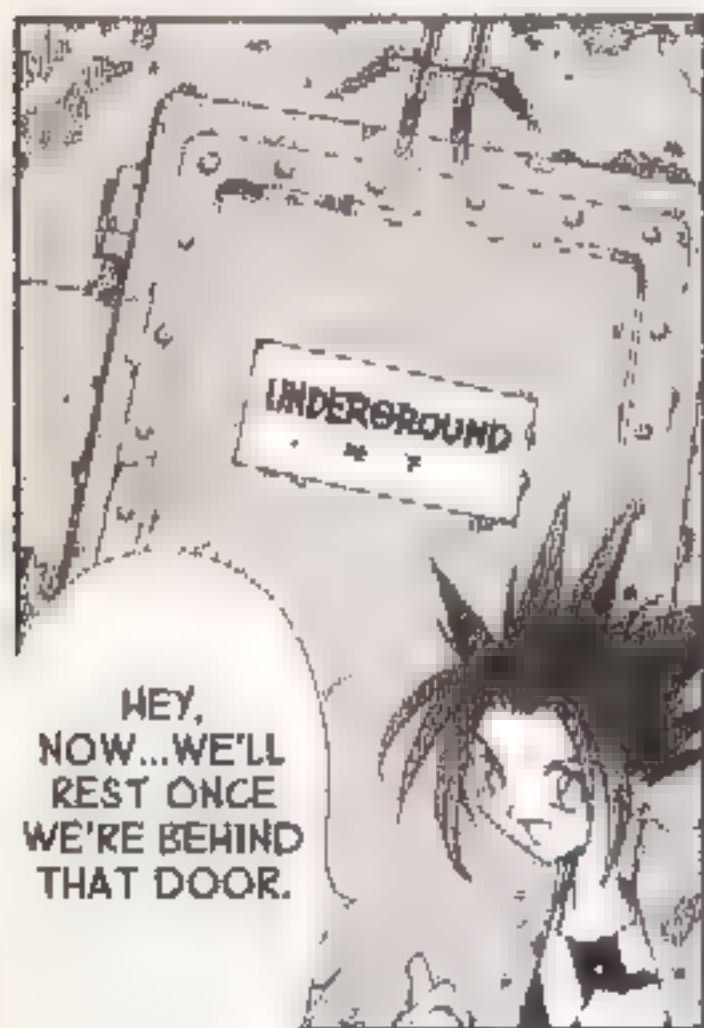
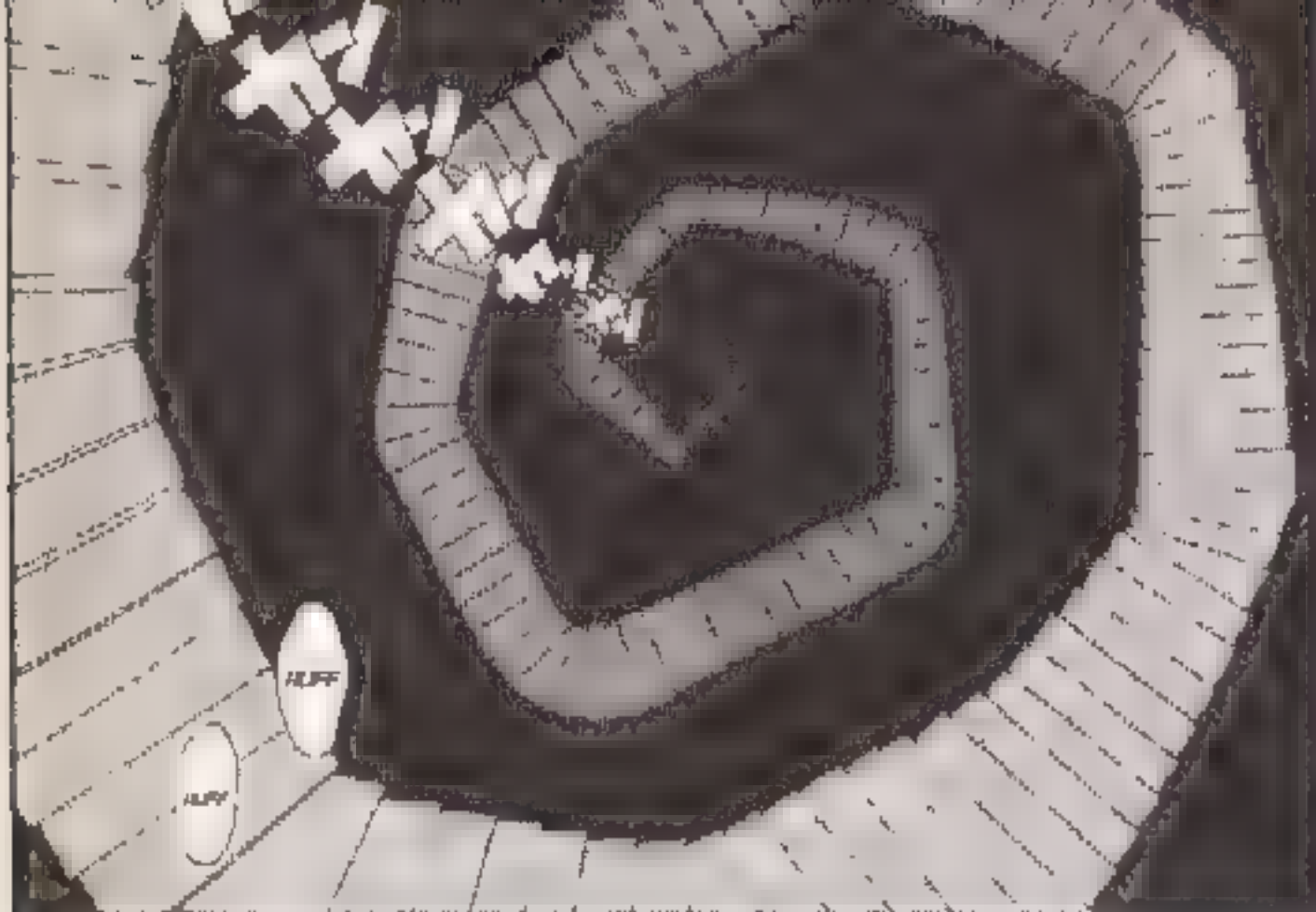


NO
TIME FOR
THEATRICALS,
KIR. JUMP
!!!



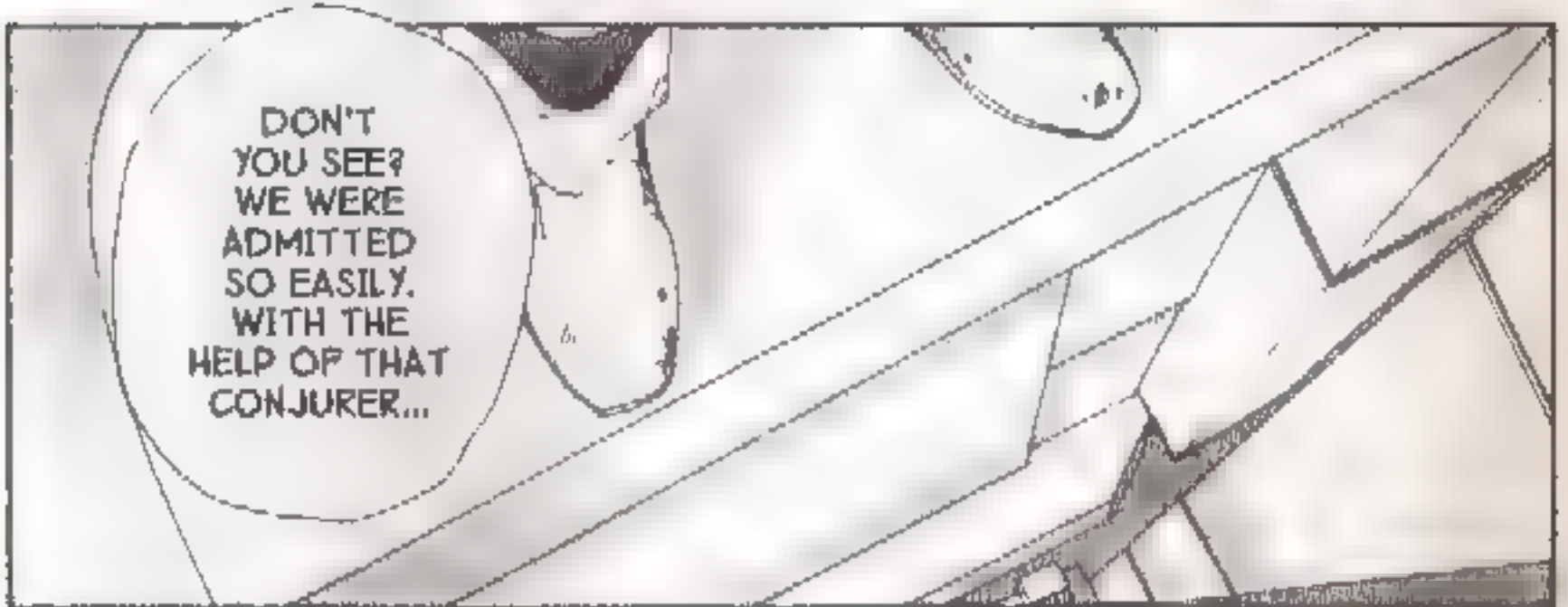
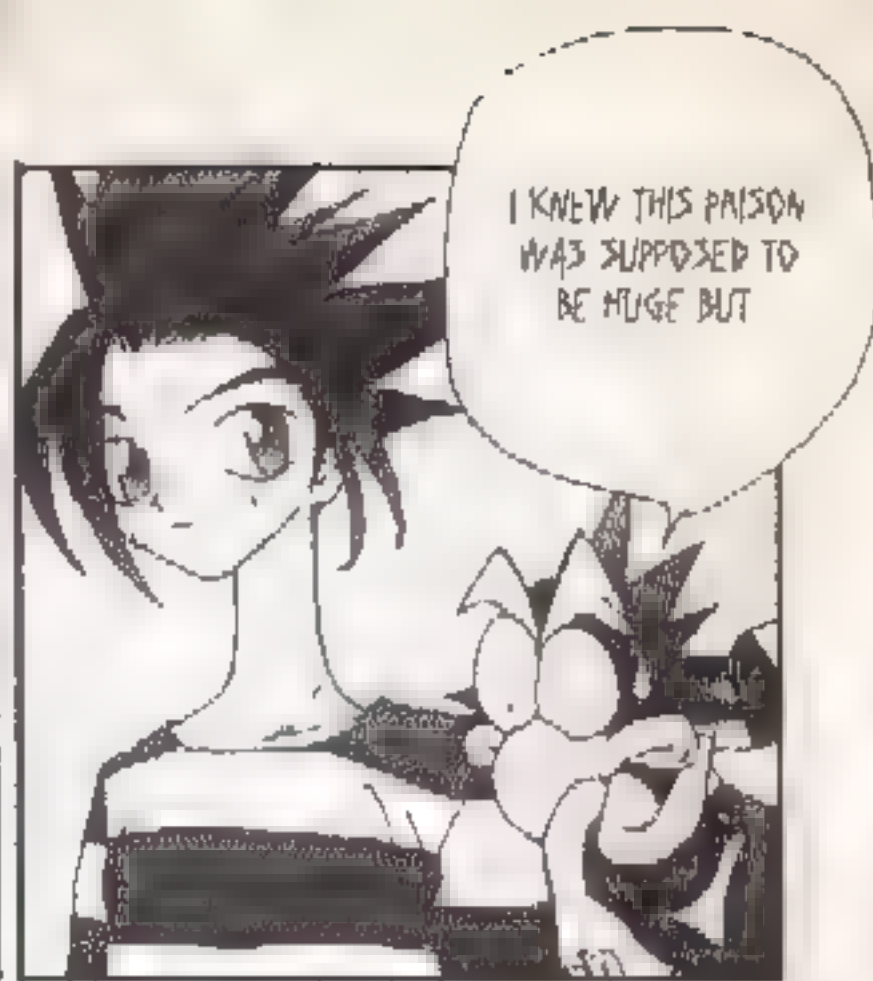








...VIEW.





This cruel, meanie, callous world
may betray you all one day,
but here's one thing to keep in mind:
should disaster come your way,
when made with love and tender care,
by man or beast or fish or clam,
the one delight to always please
is freshly made raspberry jam.



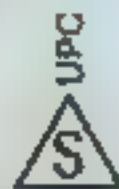
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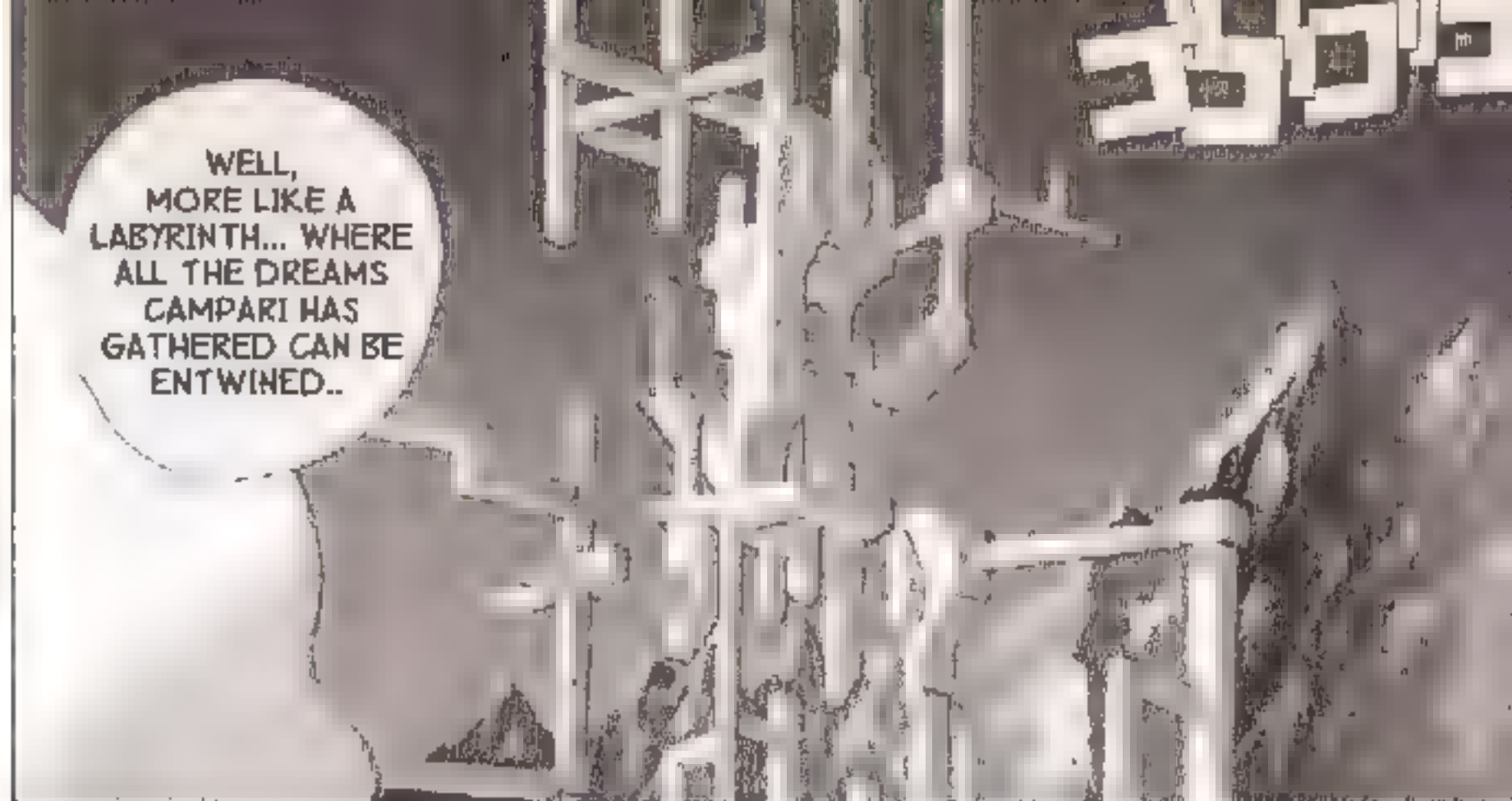
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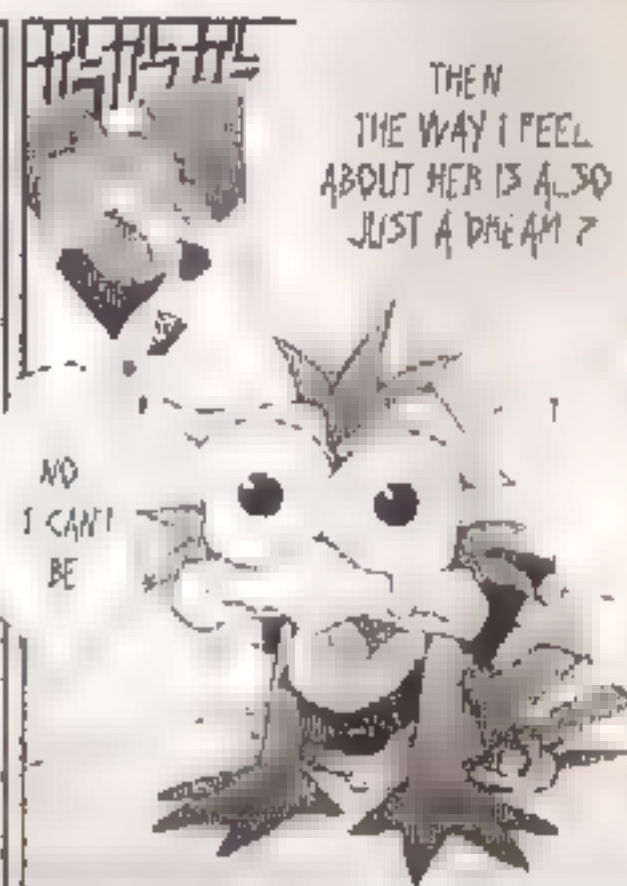
WELL,
MORE LIKE A
LABYRINTH... WHERE
ALL THE DREAMS
CAMPARI HAS
GATHERED CAN BE
ENTWINED...



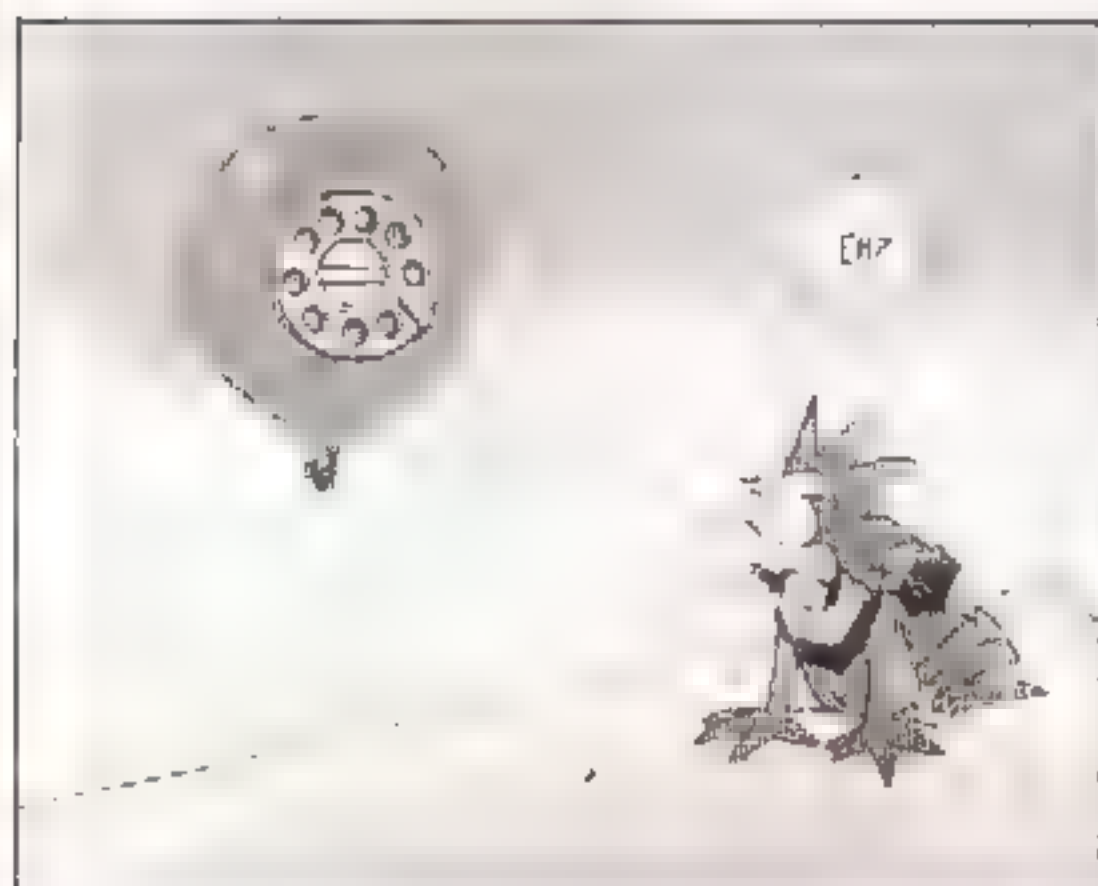
OH...
AND THIS
"BENEDICTINE"
IS AN
INHABITANT
OF THAT
LABYRINTH.

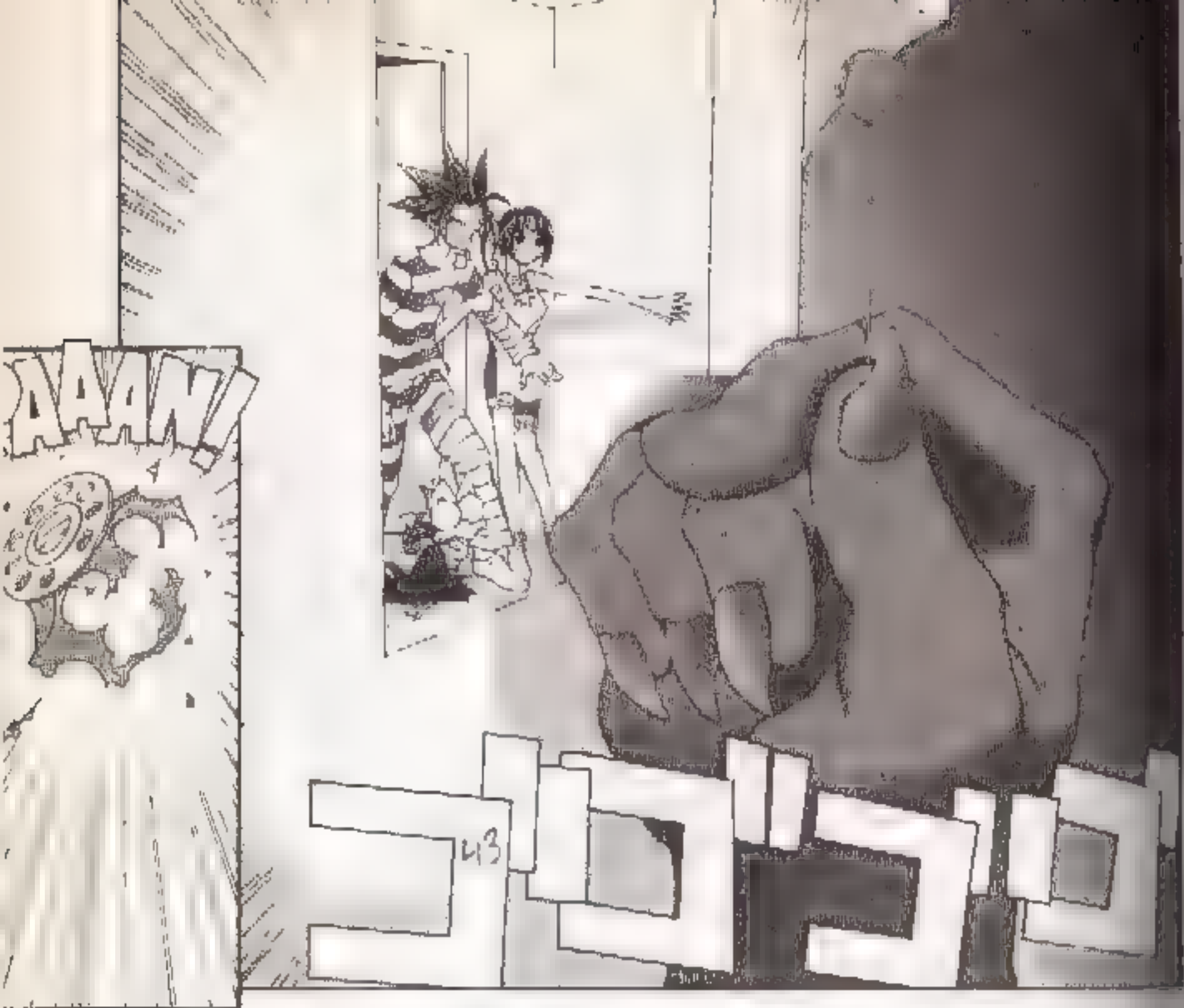


THEN
THE WAY I FEEL
ABOUT HER IS ALSO
JUST A DREAM ?



NO
I CAN'T
BE







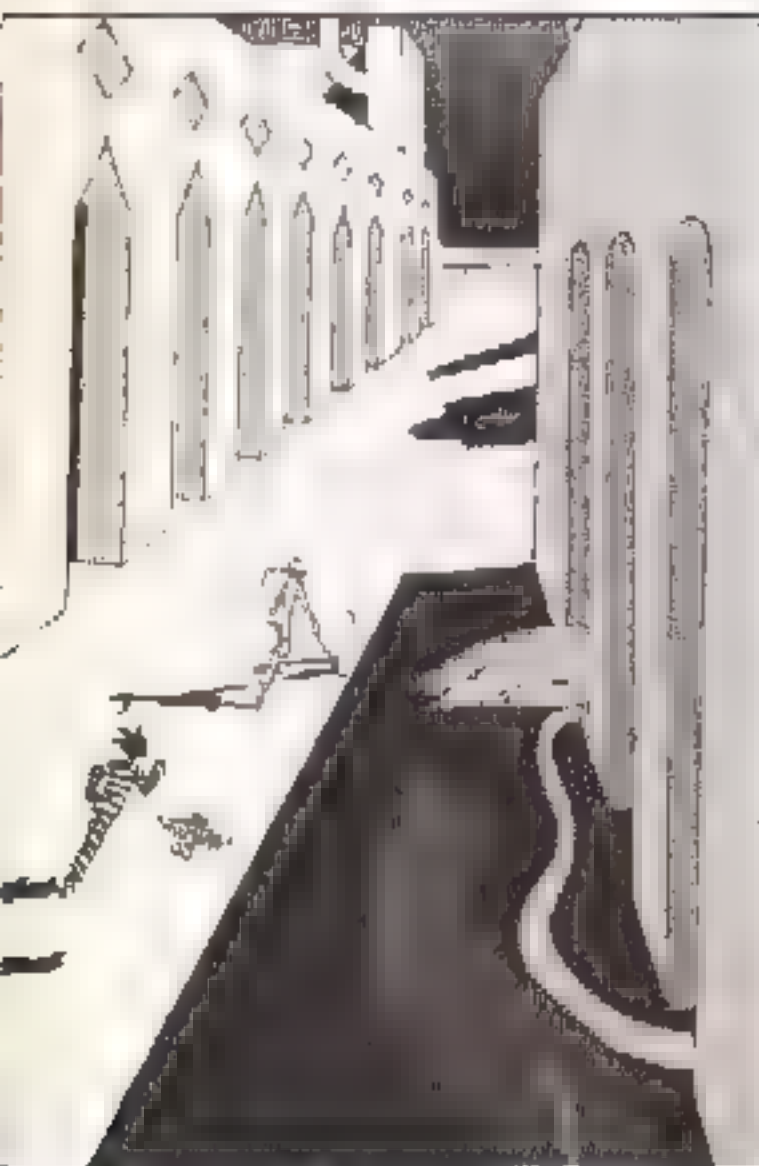


C'MON--IF WE
DON'T FIND YOU
AN EXIT SOON,
YOU'RE GONNA
DIE OF OVER-
SLEEPING!



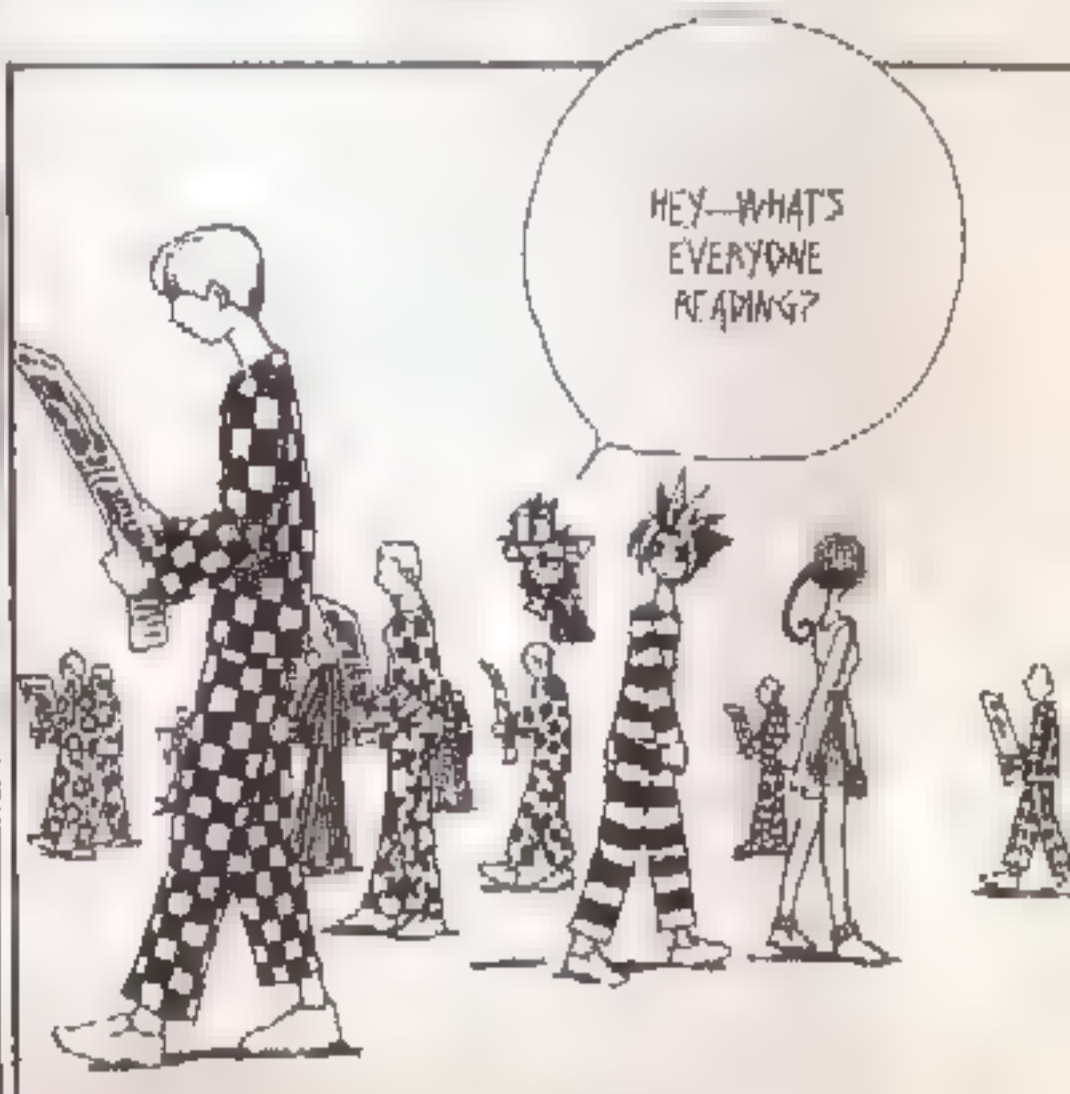
LOOKS KIND OF
LIKE WHEN YOU
WAKE UP DOESNT
IT ?

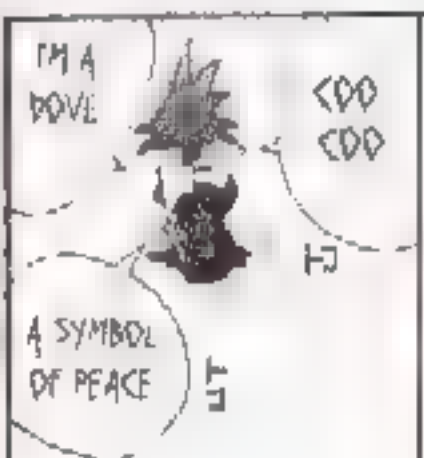
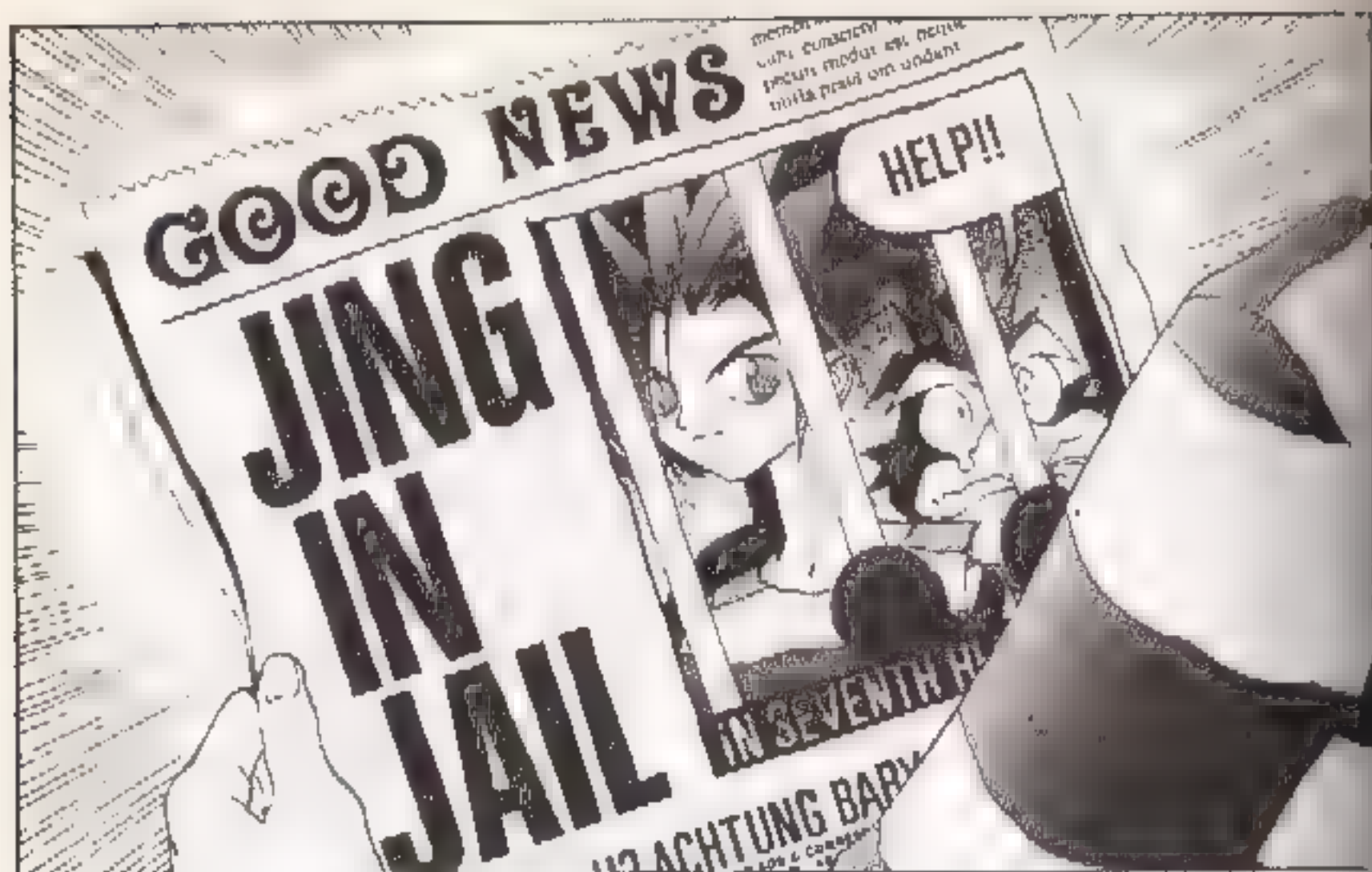
BUT
IT'S STILL
A DREAM!!



IT'S NO
GOOD FOR
OUTSIDERS
TO BE IN
HERE TOO
LONG!







KING OF BANDITS... BEHIND BARS?!!

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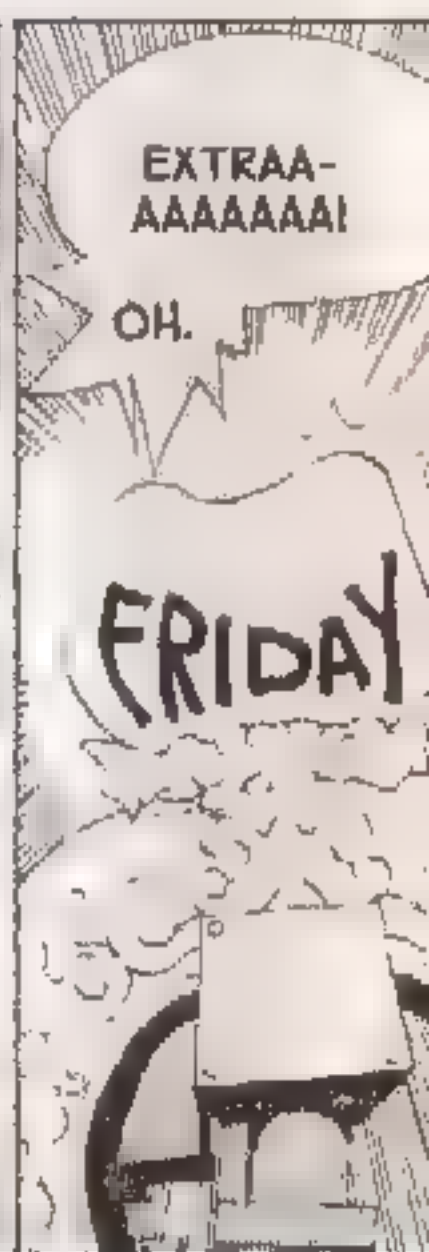
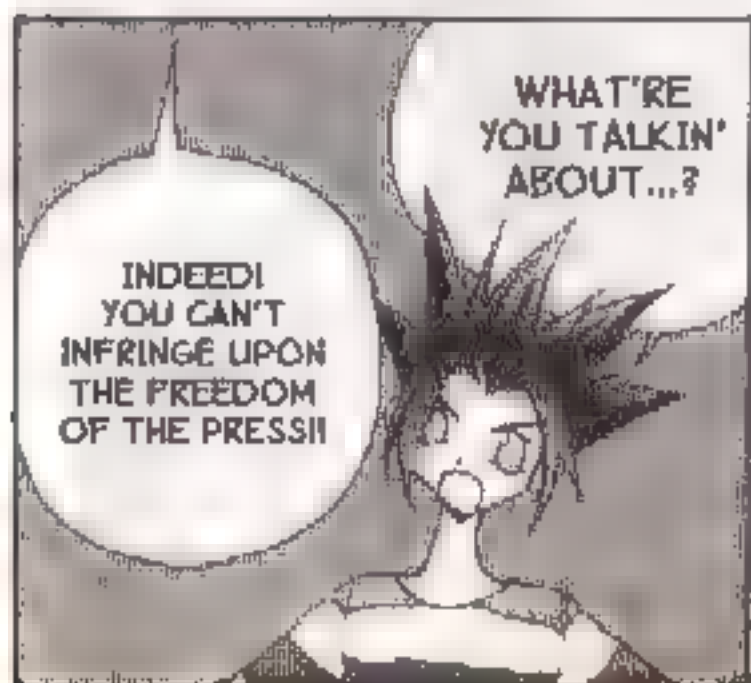
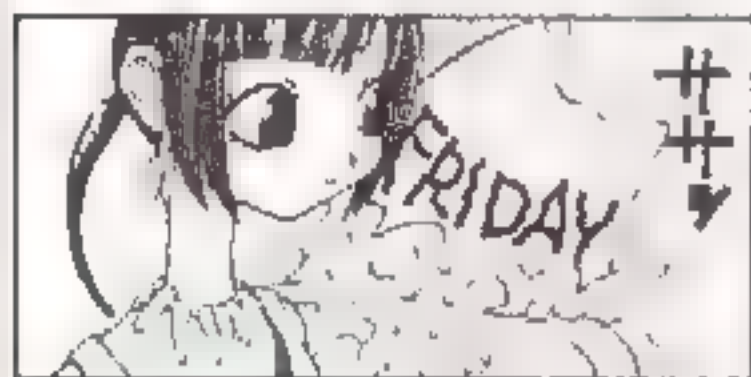
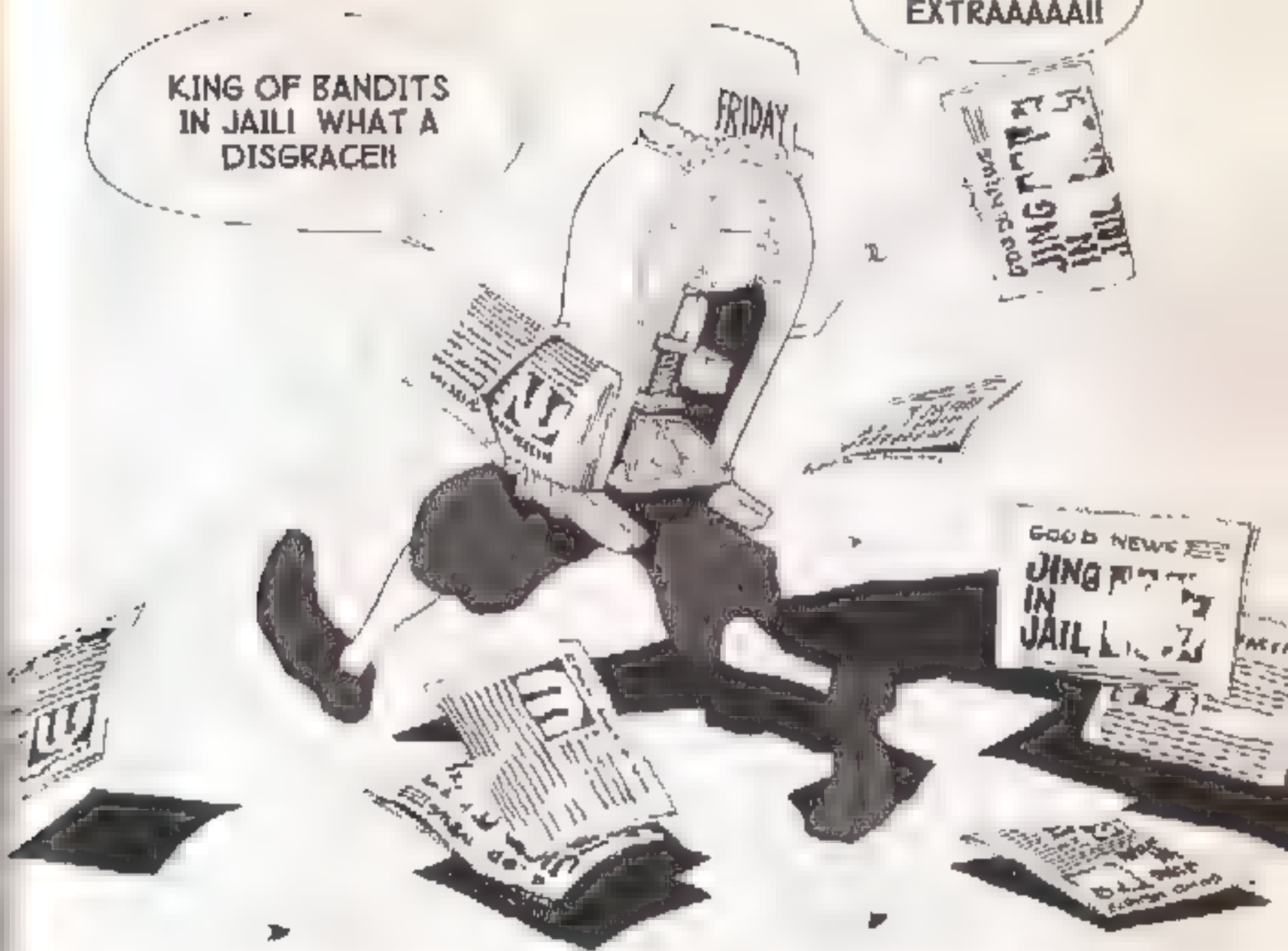
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KING OF BANDITS
IN JAIL! WHAT A
DISGRACE!!

EXTRA!!
EXTRA!!!!!!



WELCOME,
MISTER
KING OF
BANDITS.

HOW'S
THE
"DREAM
STATE"?

FINE,
THANKS!!

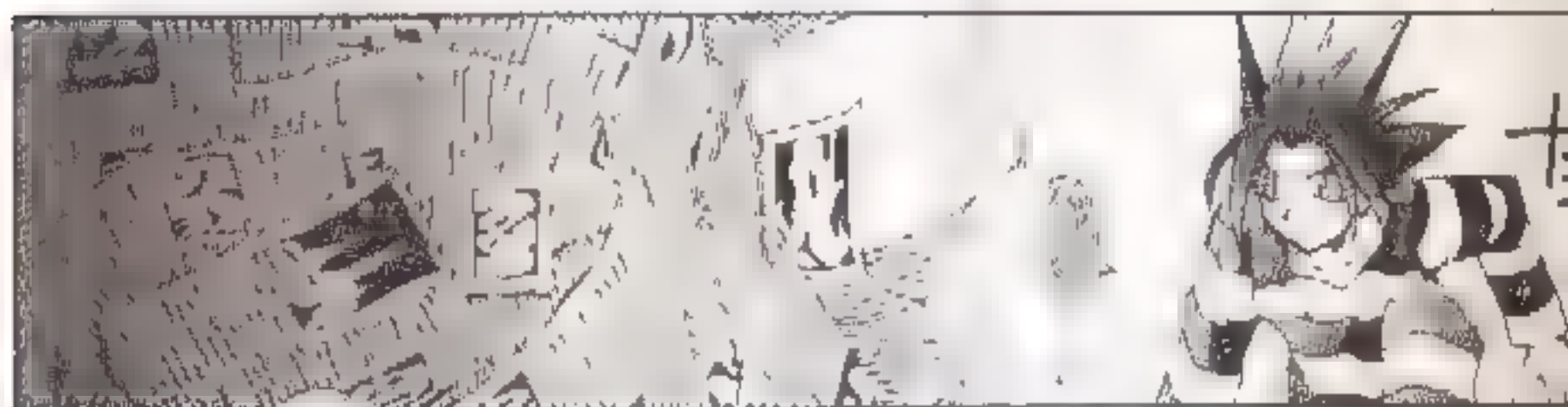
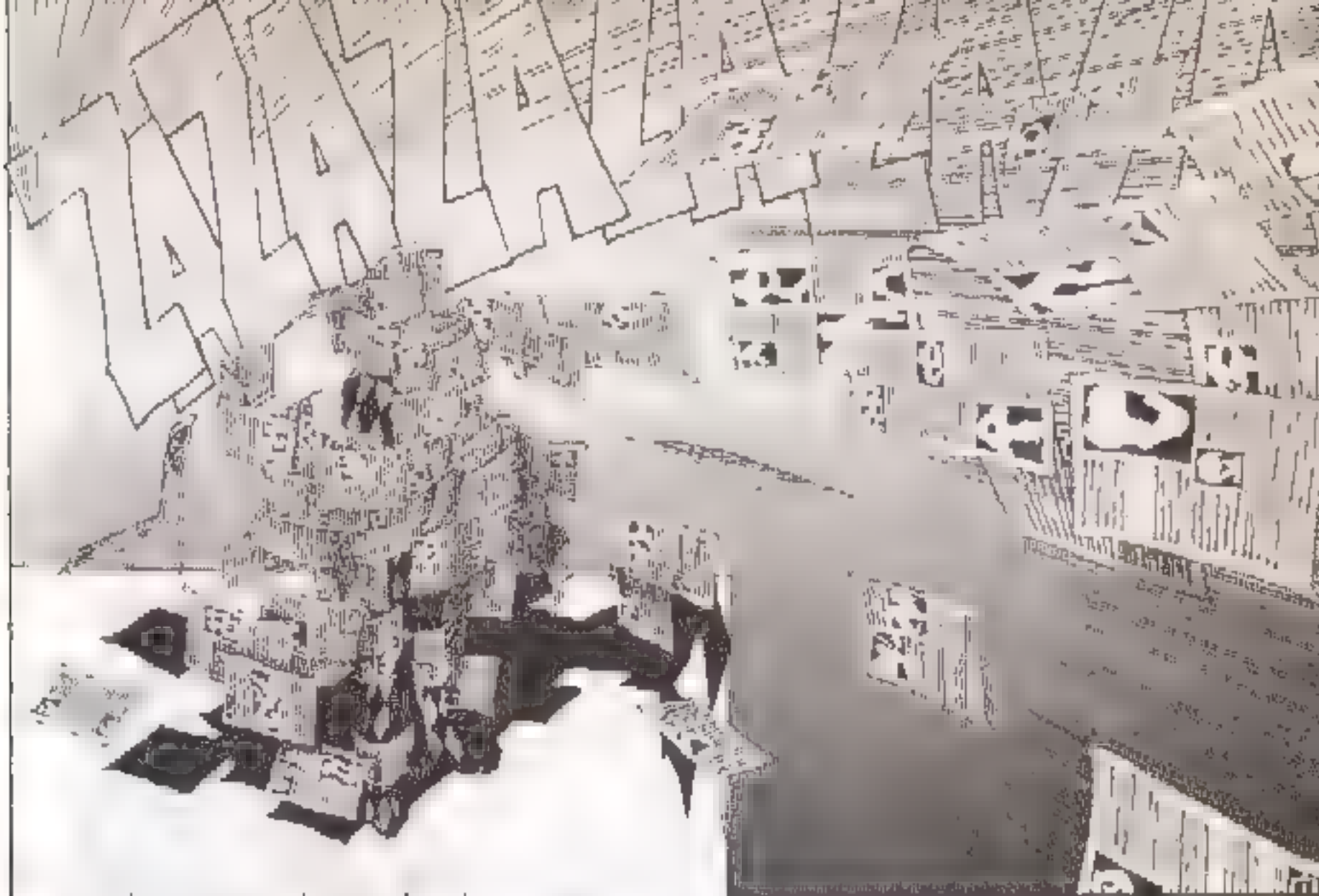
MY
PARTNER'S
FEELING A
LITTLE
DIZZY,
THOUGH...

FOOL...
DO YOU
REALLY
WANT THE
DREAM
ORB THAT
BADLY?

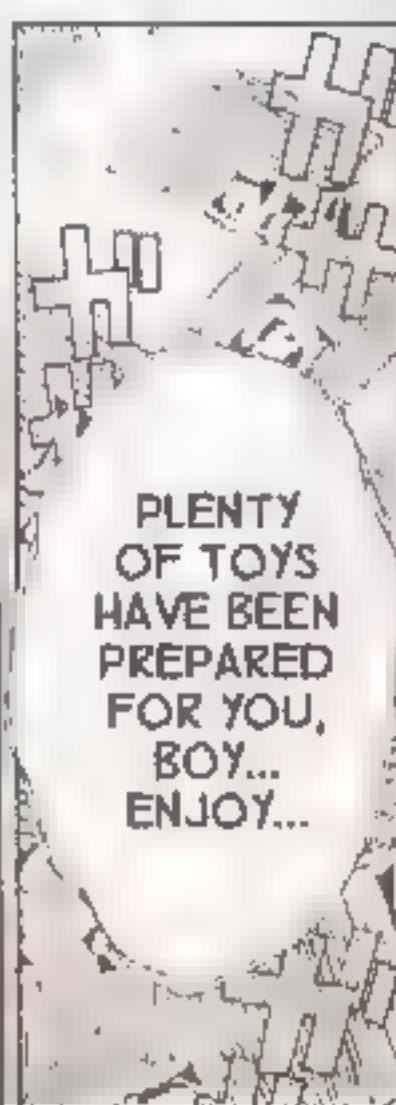
AH,
BUT MY
BODY'S
ALSO
FULL OF
PEP...
SEE?

BUT
YOU'RE
FULL OF
PEP,
AREN'T
YOU?

EVEN IF
IT IS A
CHILDISH
SHOW
OF
COURAGE
...

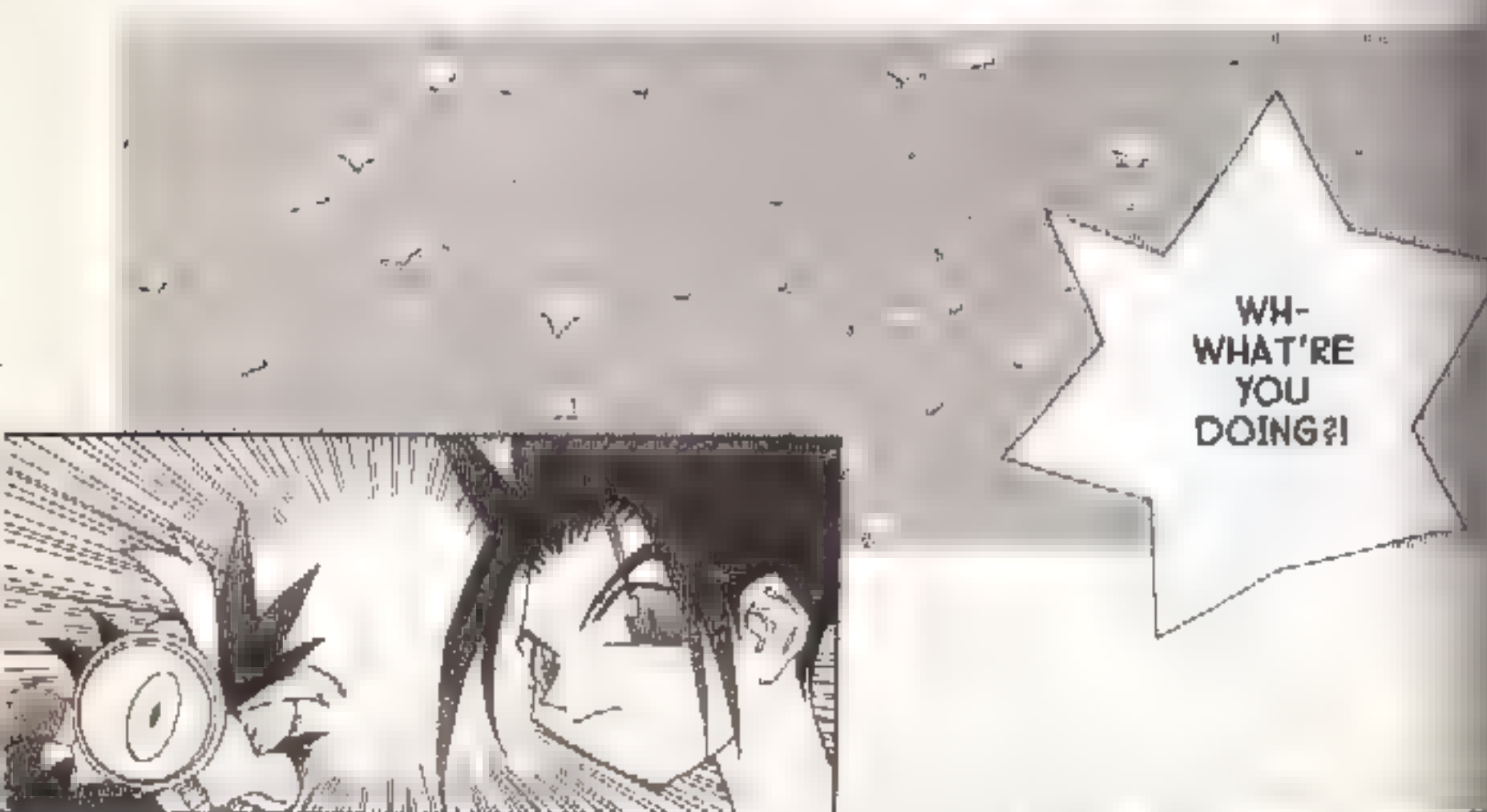
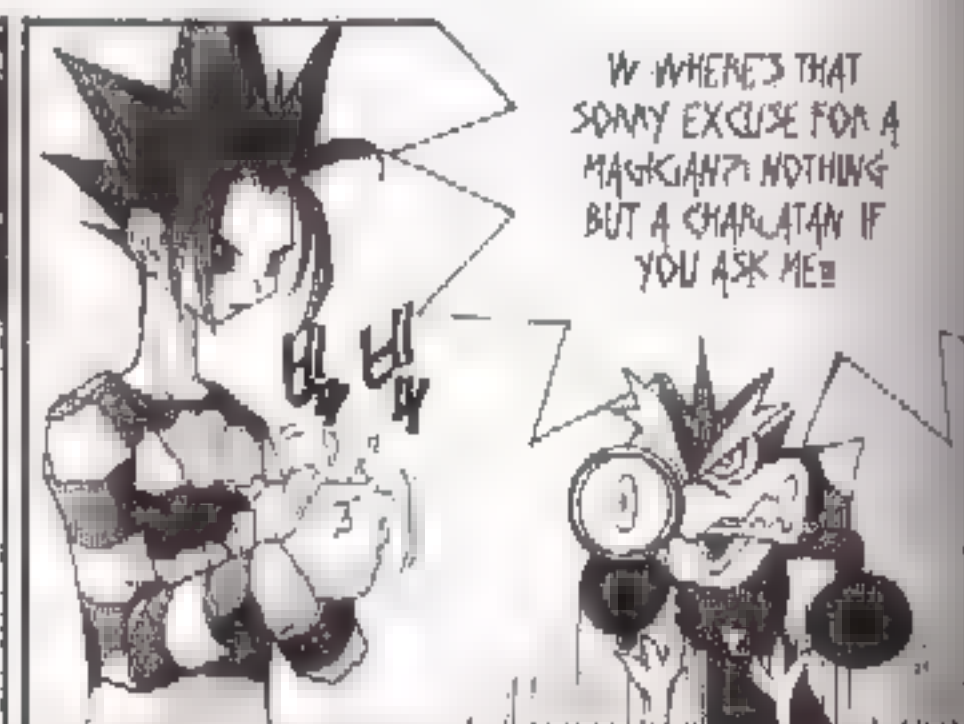


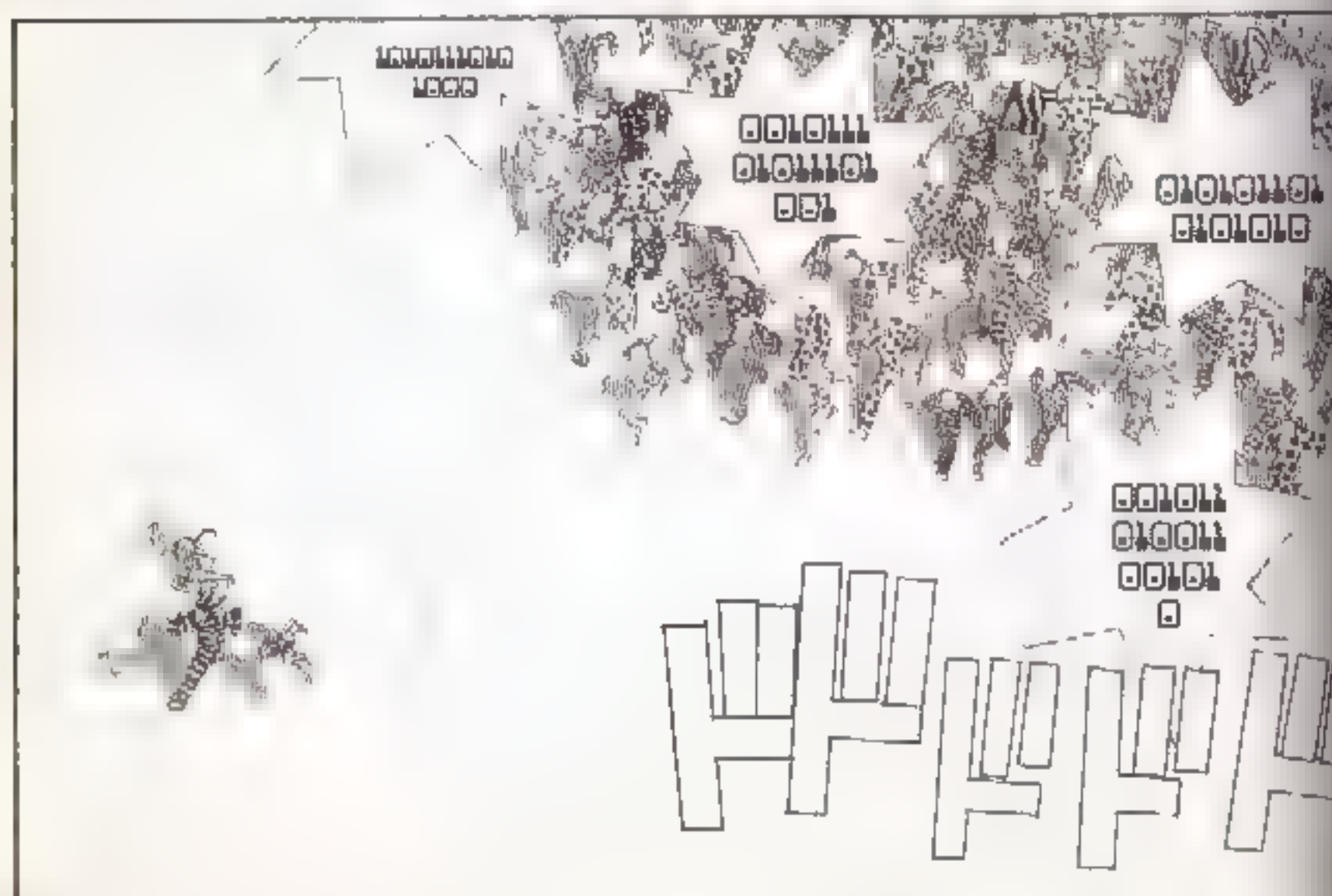
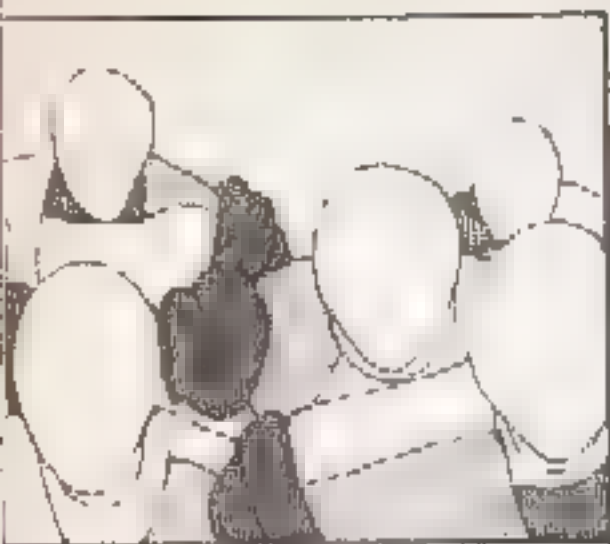
SLEEP
WELL.

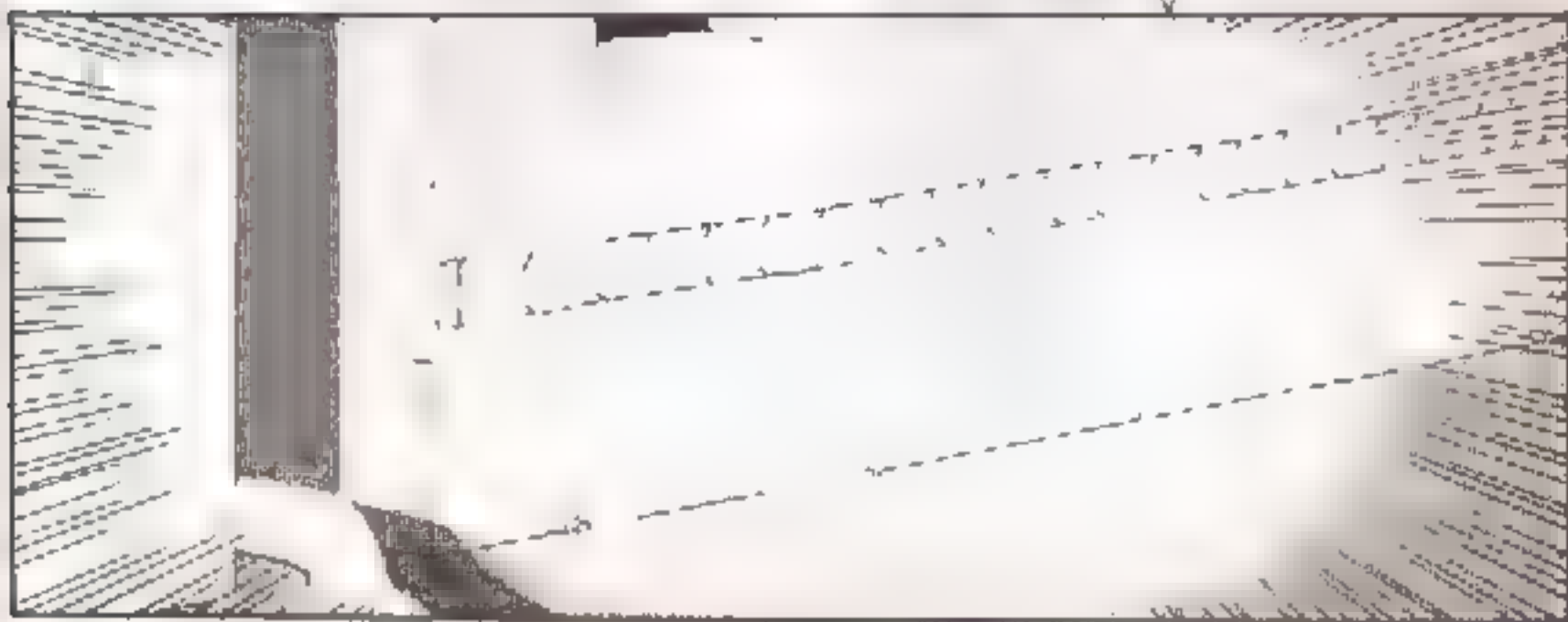


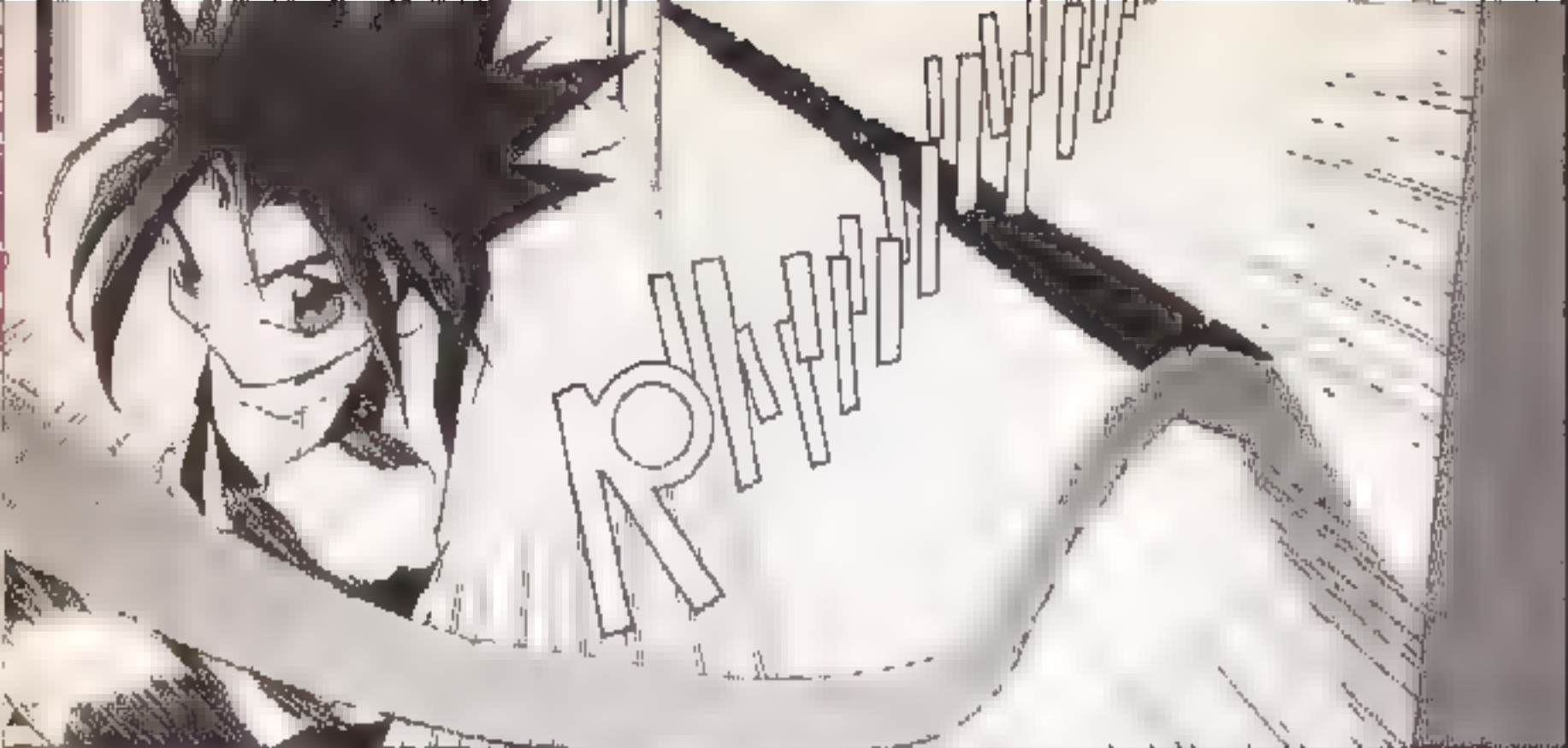
PLENTY
OF TOYS
HAVE BEEN
PREPARED
FOR YOU,
BOY...
ENJOY...













d rerum luo tpeitury sapiente delectus an aut
erence repellat. Hanc ego cum tene sententiam,
a possum accommodare post eos quos tu paulum

STATION

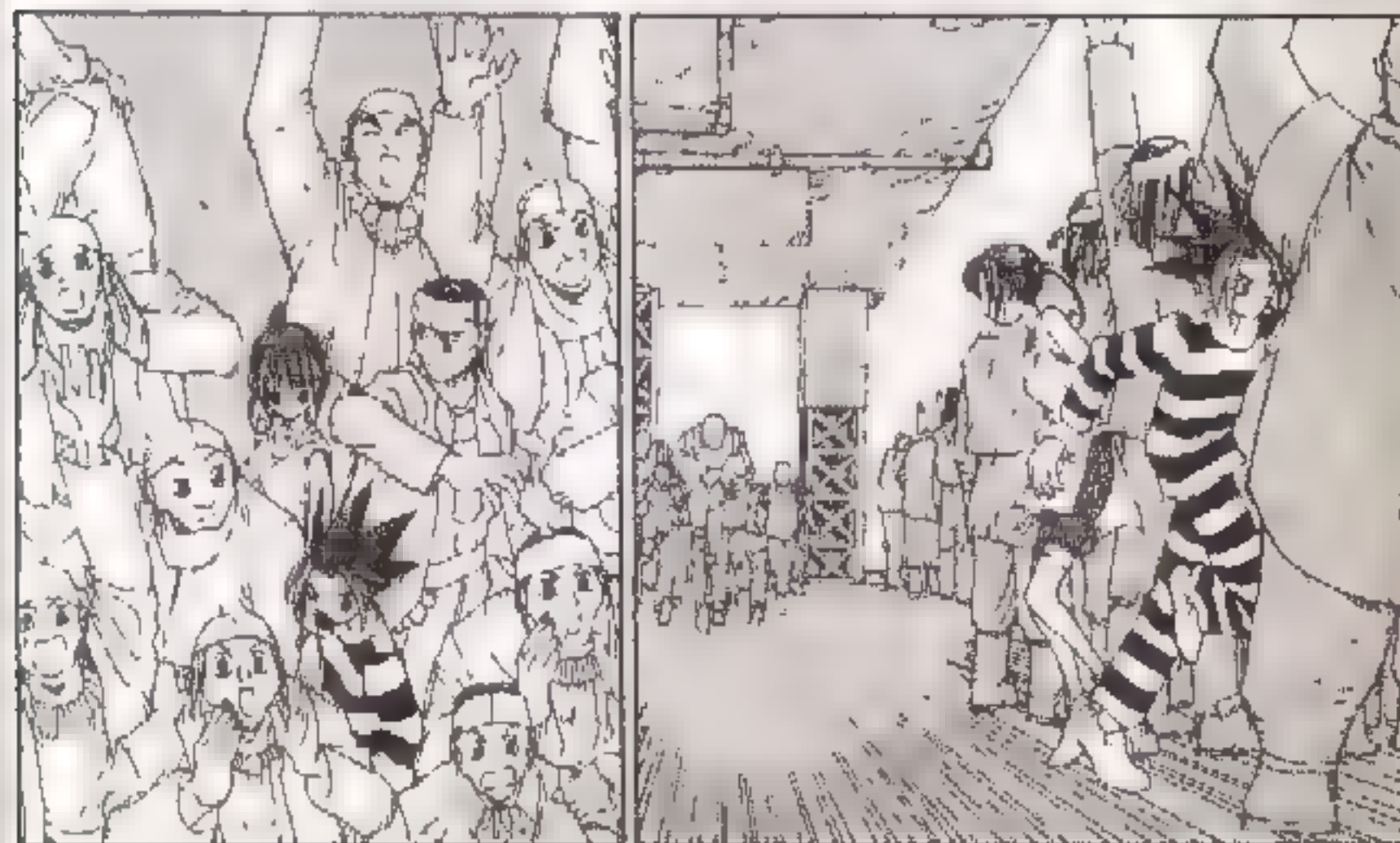
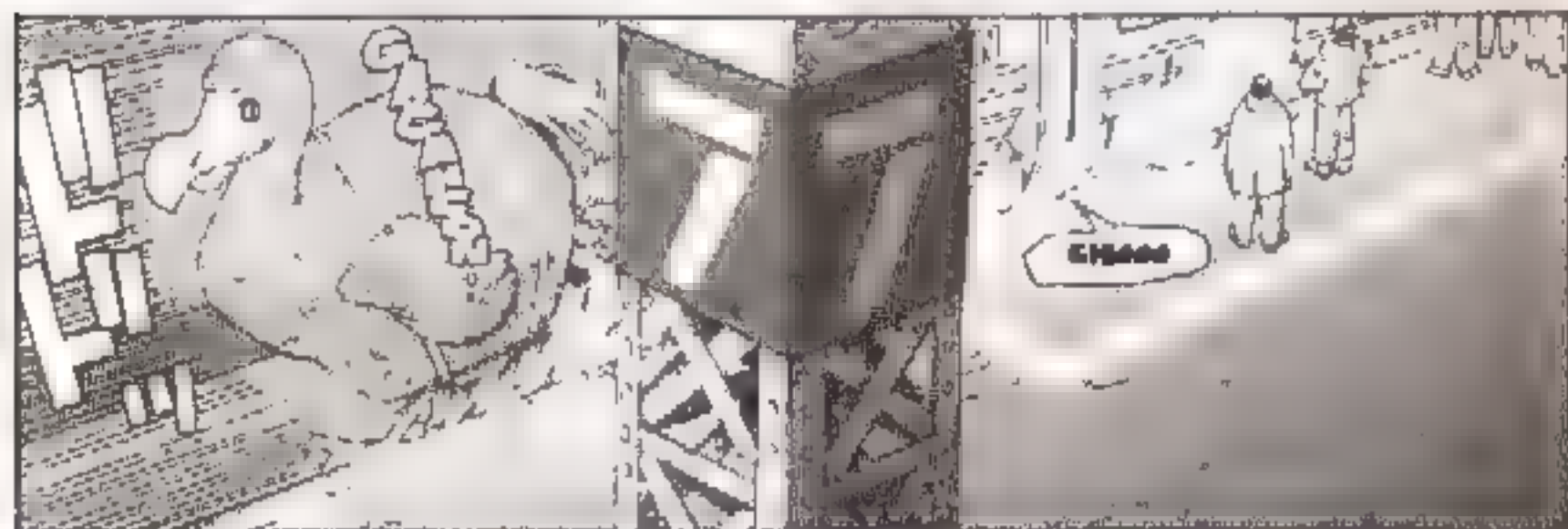
and sit et prode a non restand. Itaque sit et rerum luo
et tene

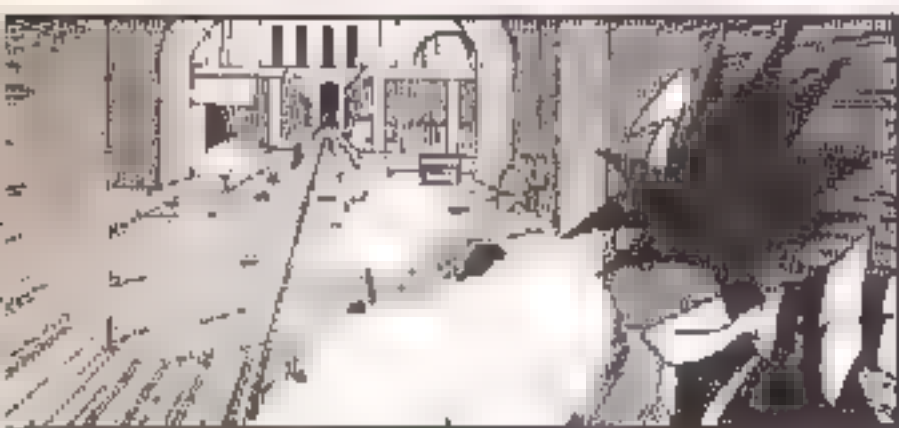
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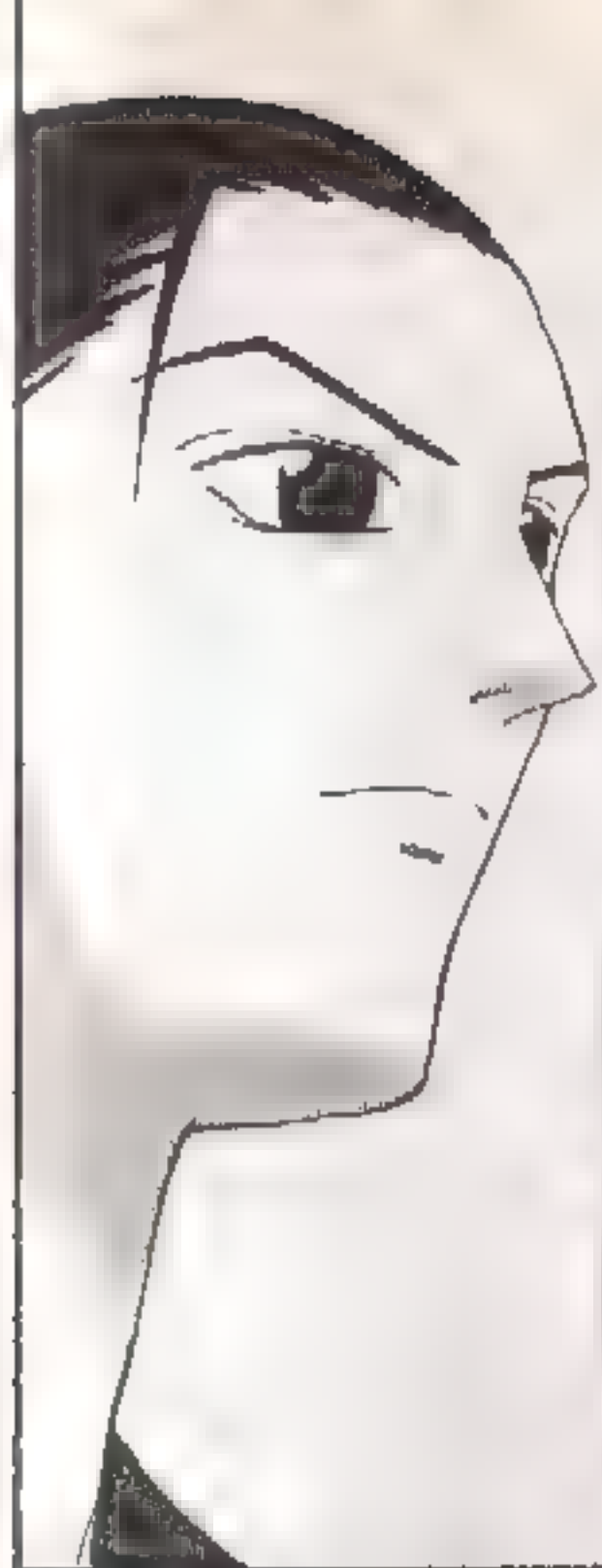
conferre consequat, vel illius
dignos et fugas nulla pariter.

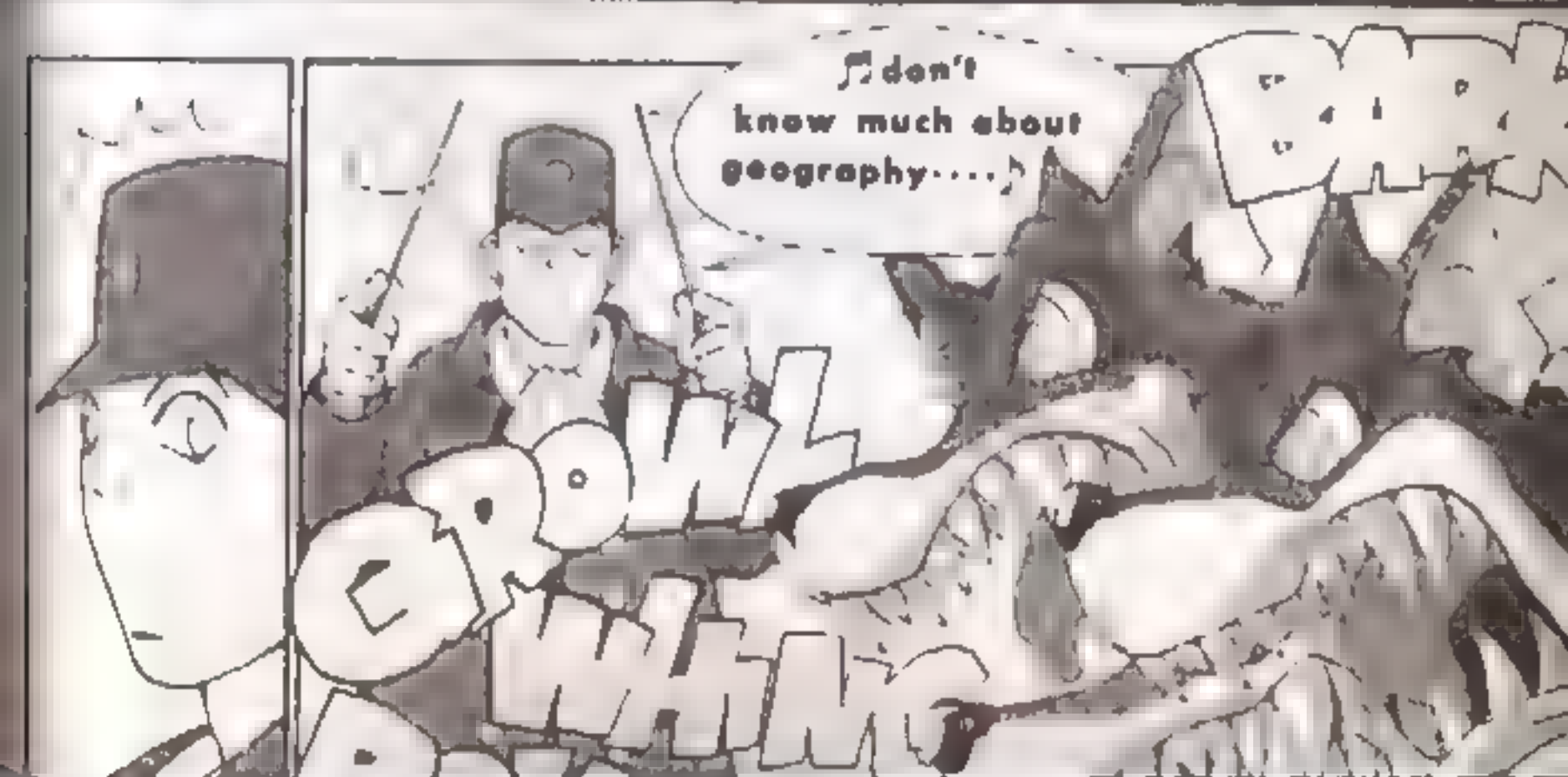
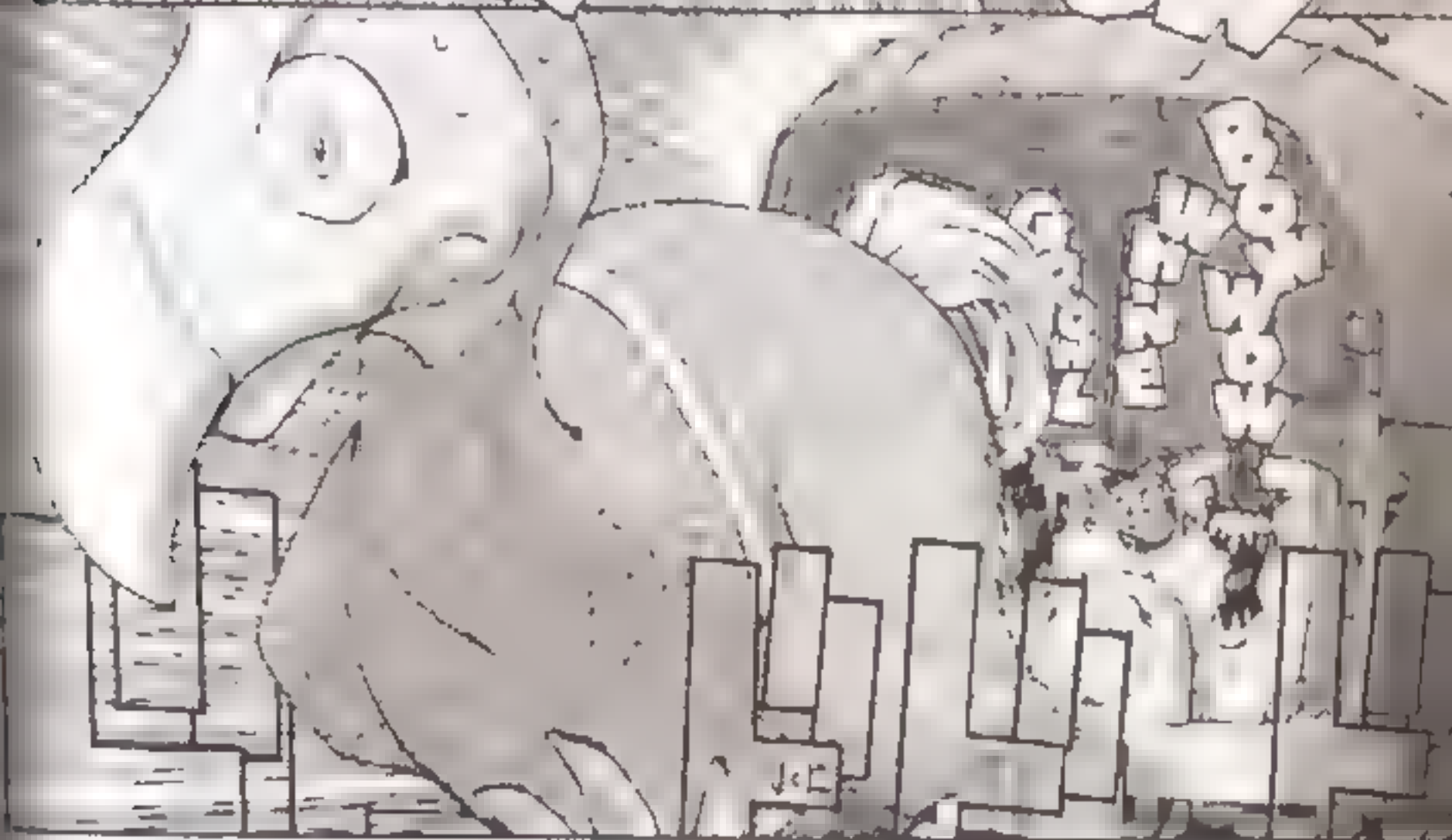
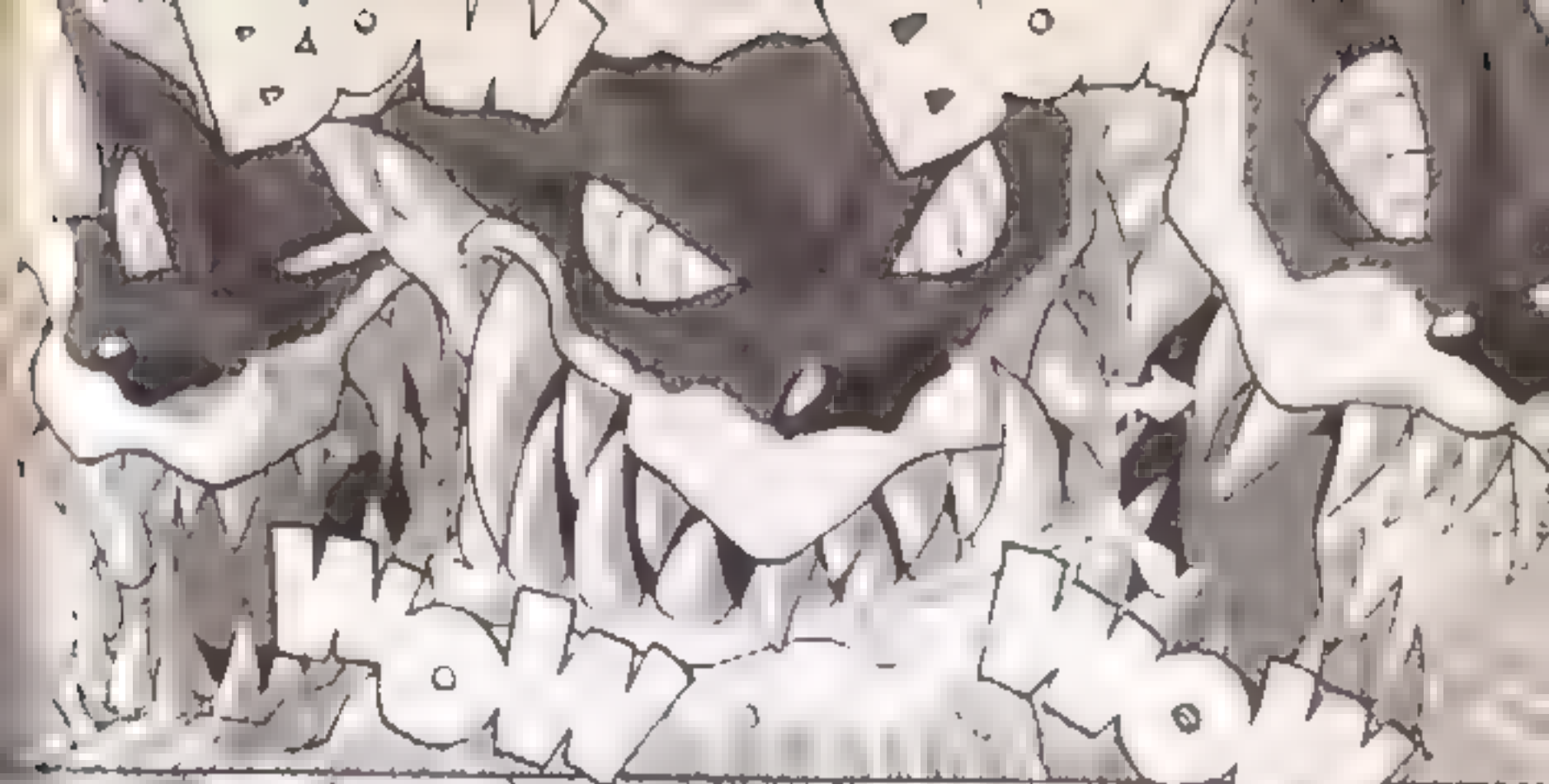
GONNA
ADD ONE
MORE
INFRACTION
TO MY
CRIMINAL
RECORD: A
FREE RIDE ON
THE TRAIN!!

WHAT THE? ? ? ?

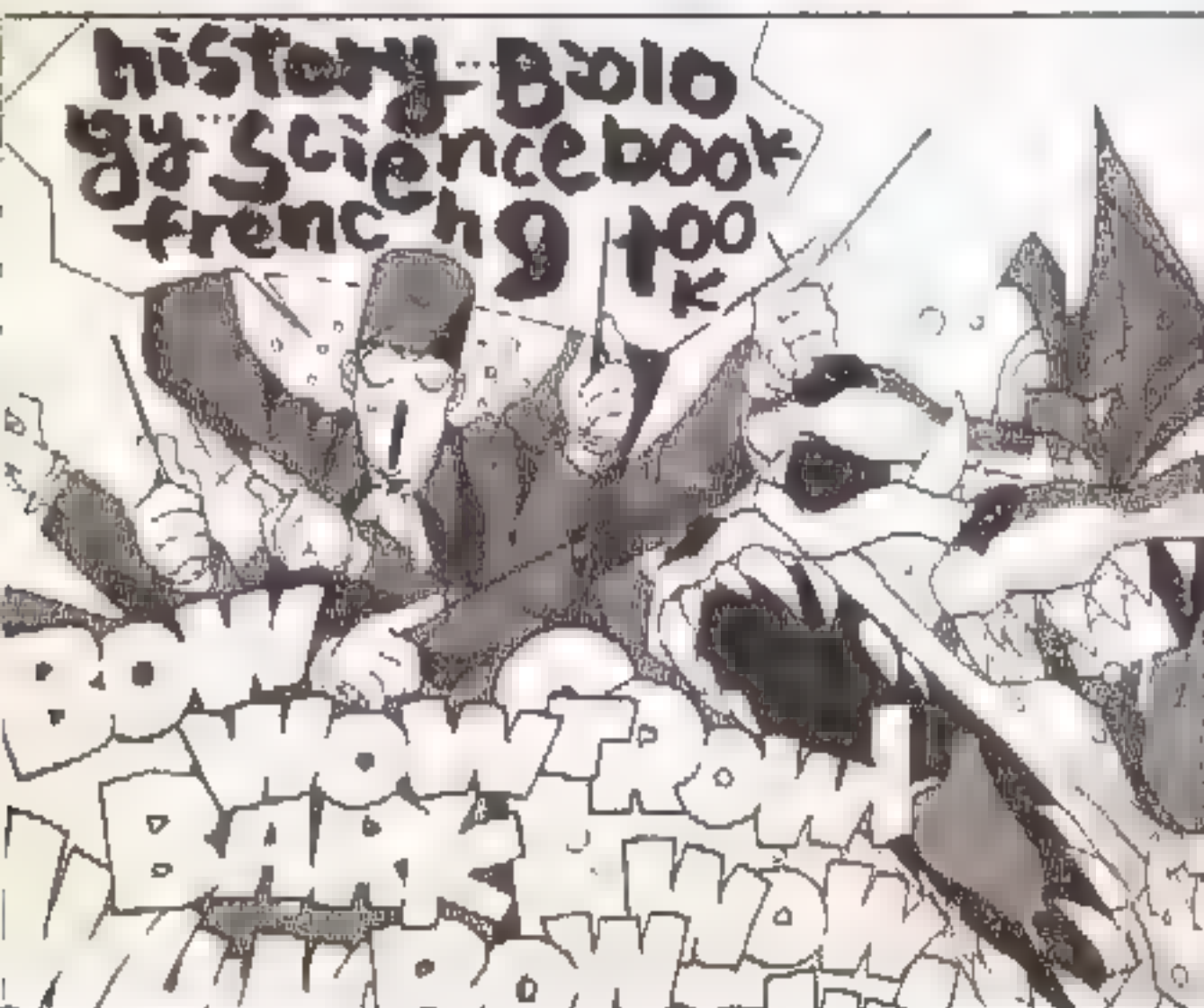


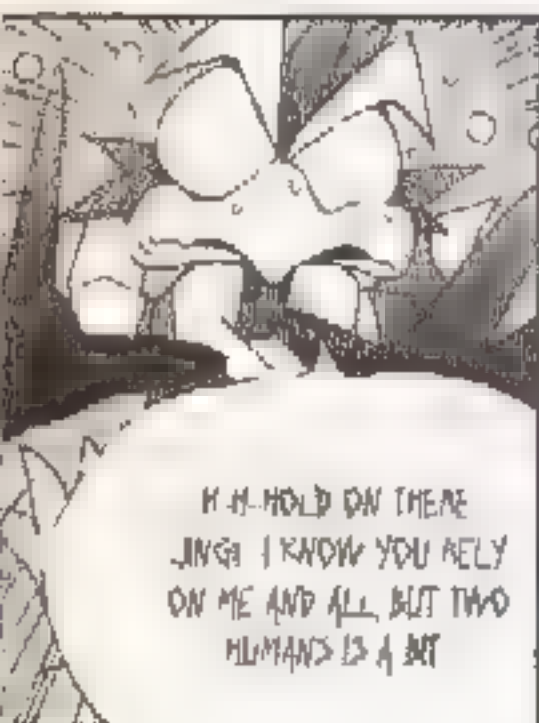
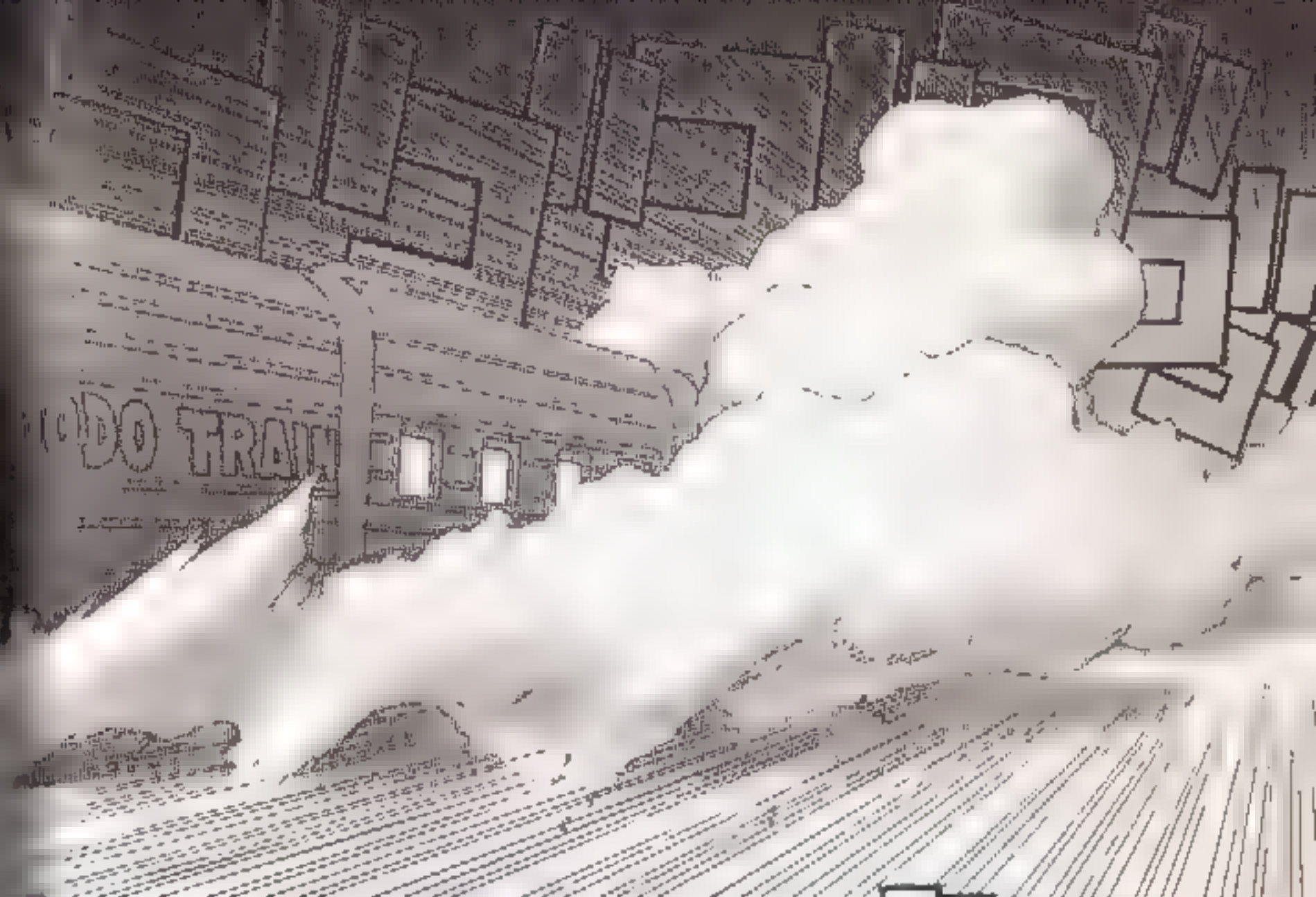
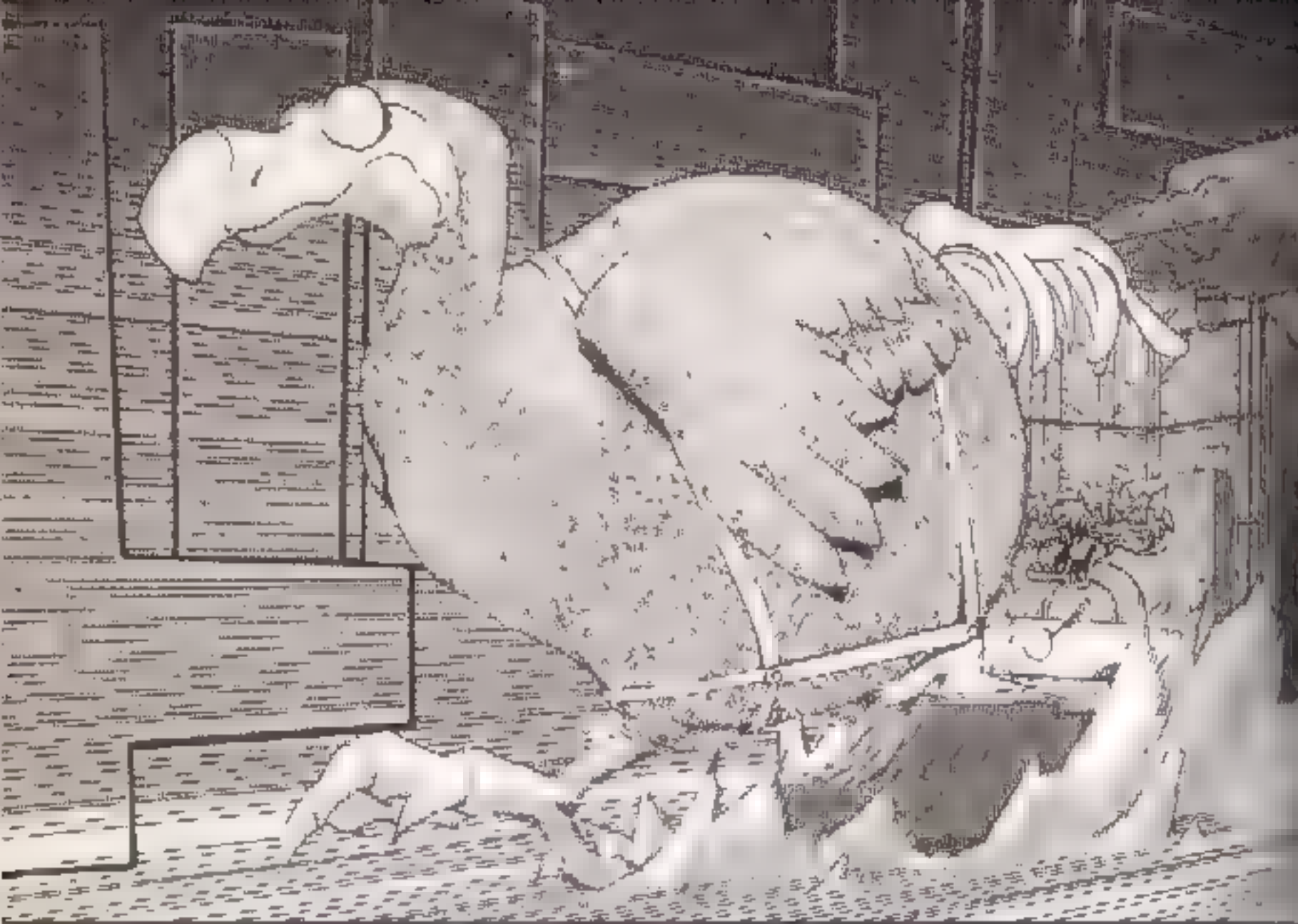






HOLD UP!





H-H-HOLD ON THERE
JING! I KNOW YOU RELY
ON ME AND ALL, BUT TWO
HUMANS IS A BIT

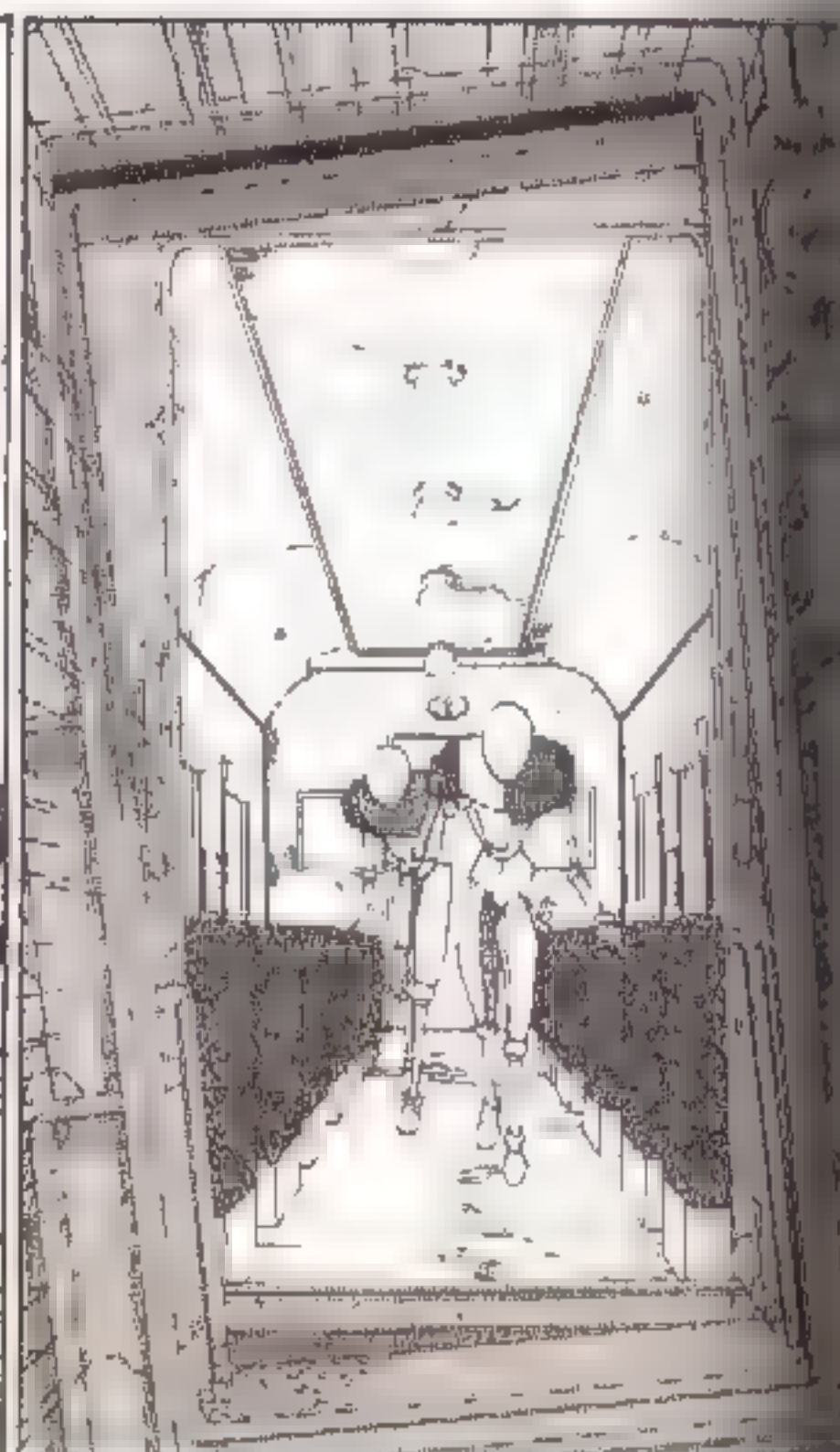


NOT
YOU! THIS
GUY!!!



LOOK-- AT
THE TOP!! IT'S
NOT JUST
BREAKING, IT'S
BEING TORN
APART!!

EVERYONE!!
JUMP ON
THE BIRD'S
BACK!!



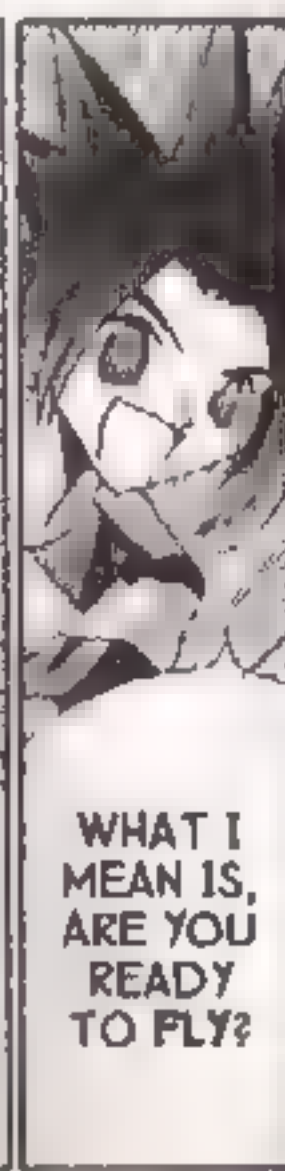
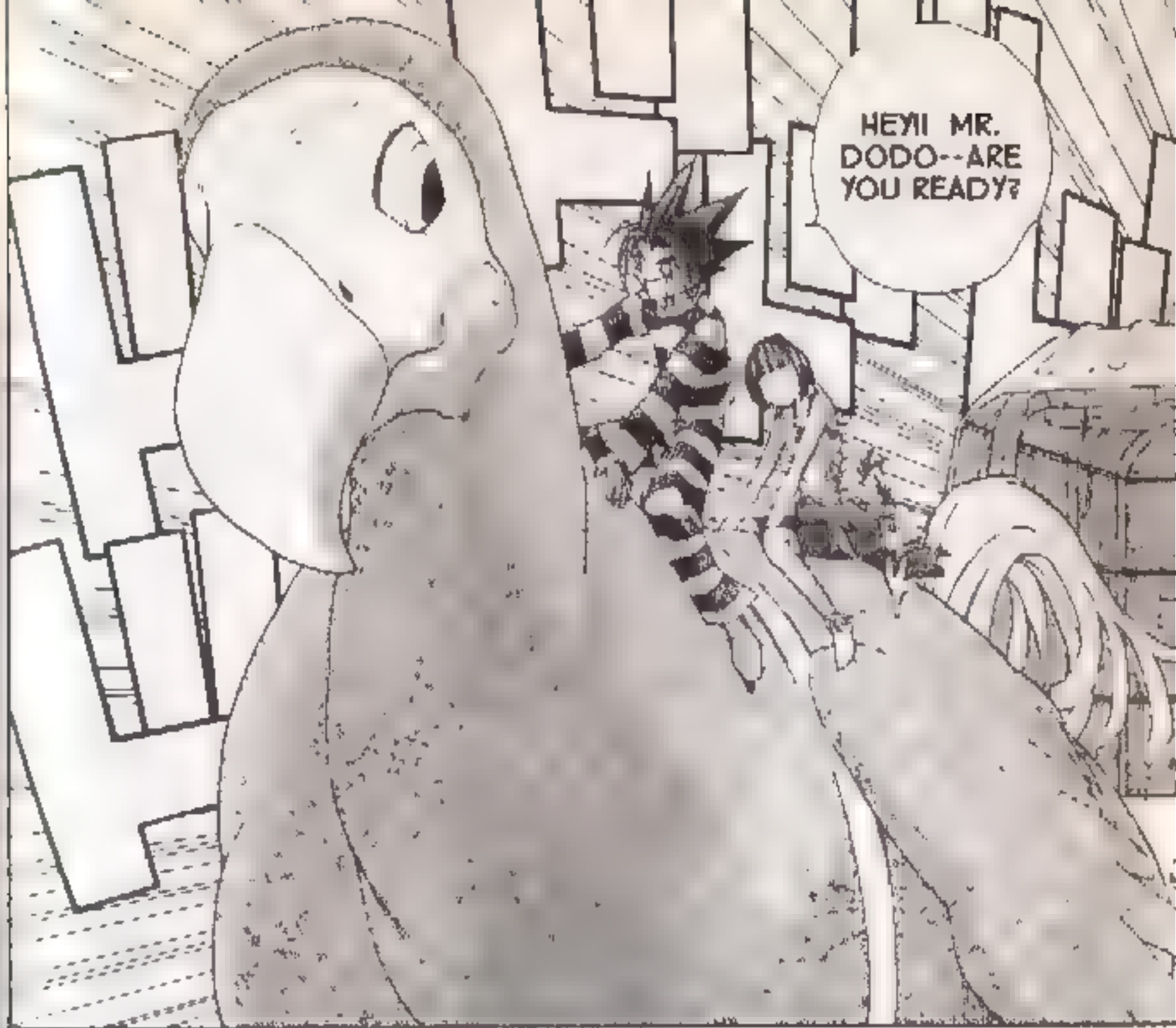
IT-IT-
IT'S...GONNA
BREAKKK.



HEY JING, IT
LOOKS LIKE OUR
SEND-OFF FAILED
TO GET OUT



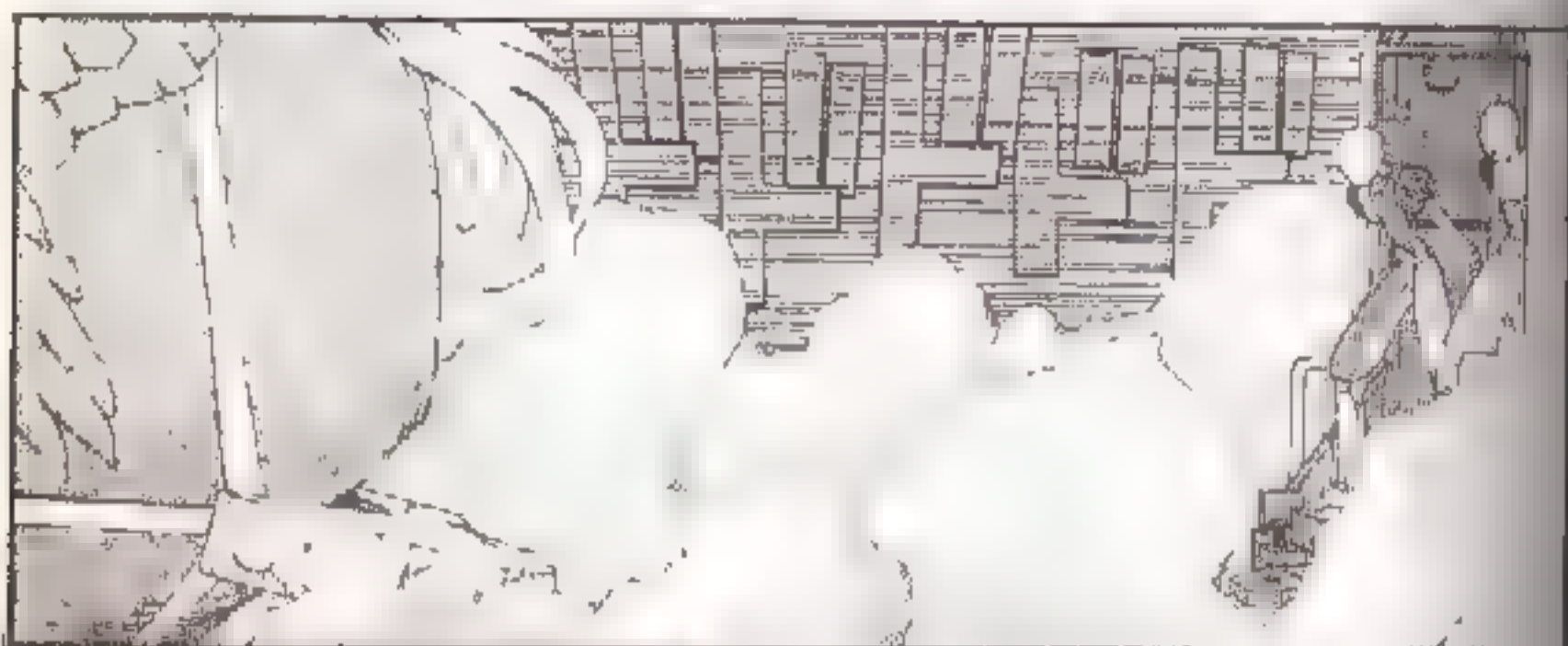
MORE!
MORE!!





Y-Y-Y-Y-
YESSIIIIIR!!!

COME ON!
IF YOU DON'T
DETACH, YOU'RE
GONNA DERAIL,
AND THAT'LL
BE A BIG
DISASTER.

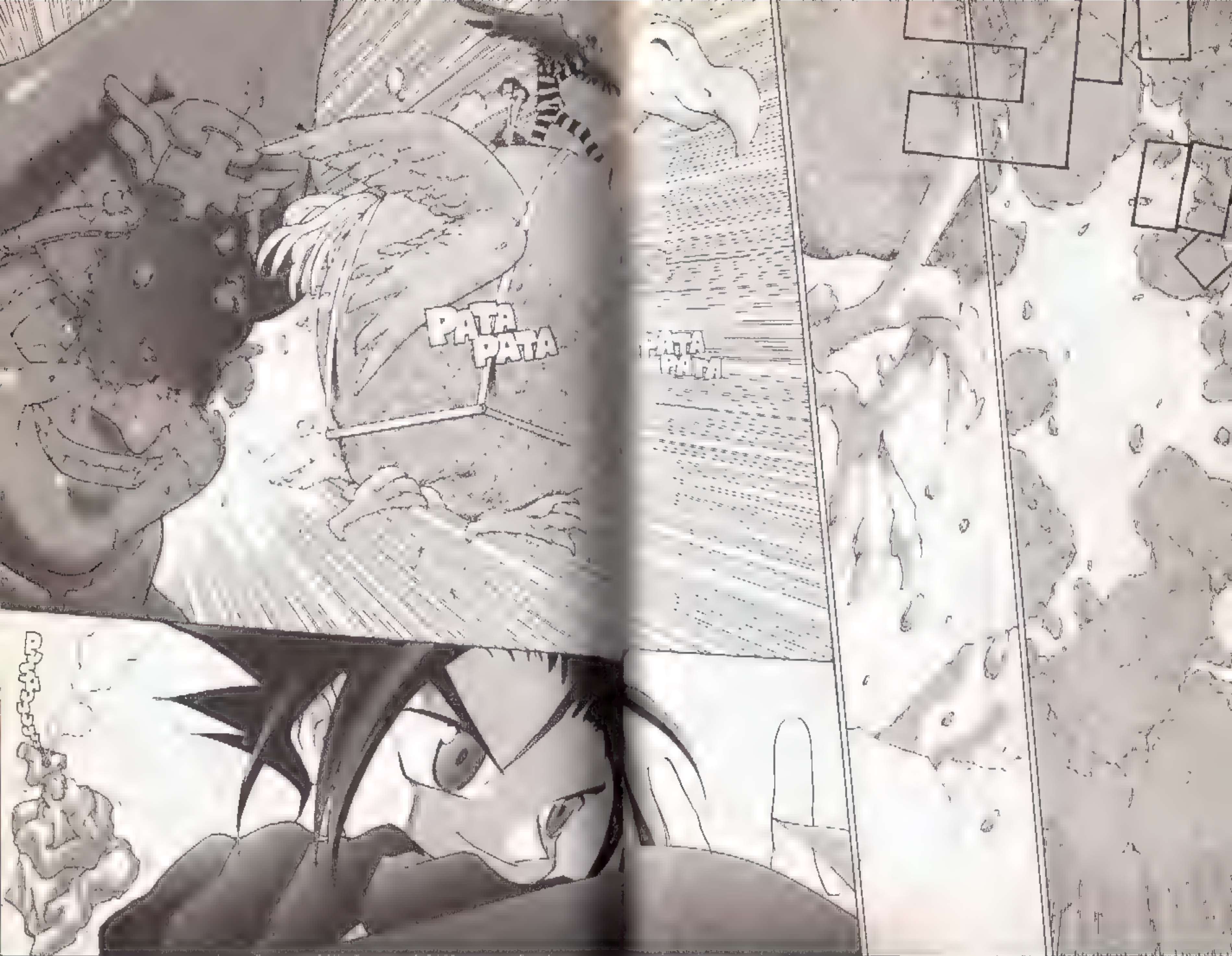


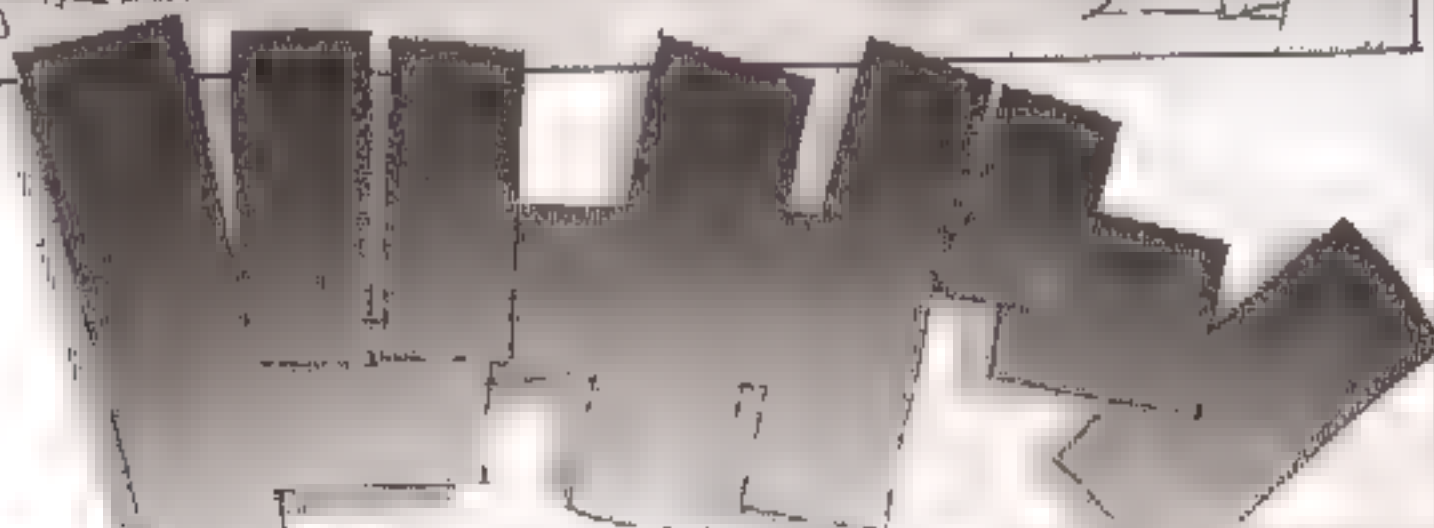
IT-IT'S
NEVER
TOO
LAAAAA-
TTTE!!

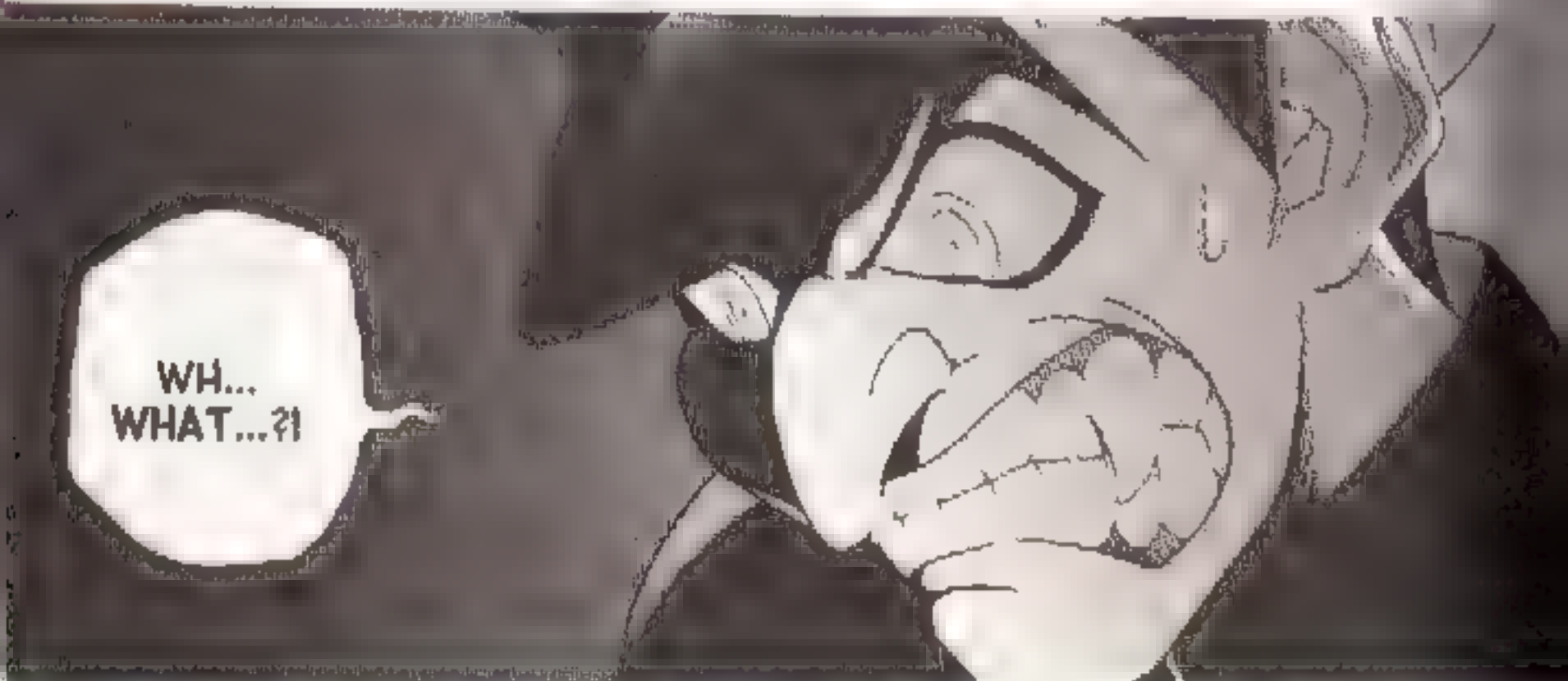
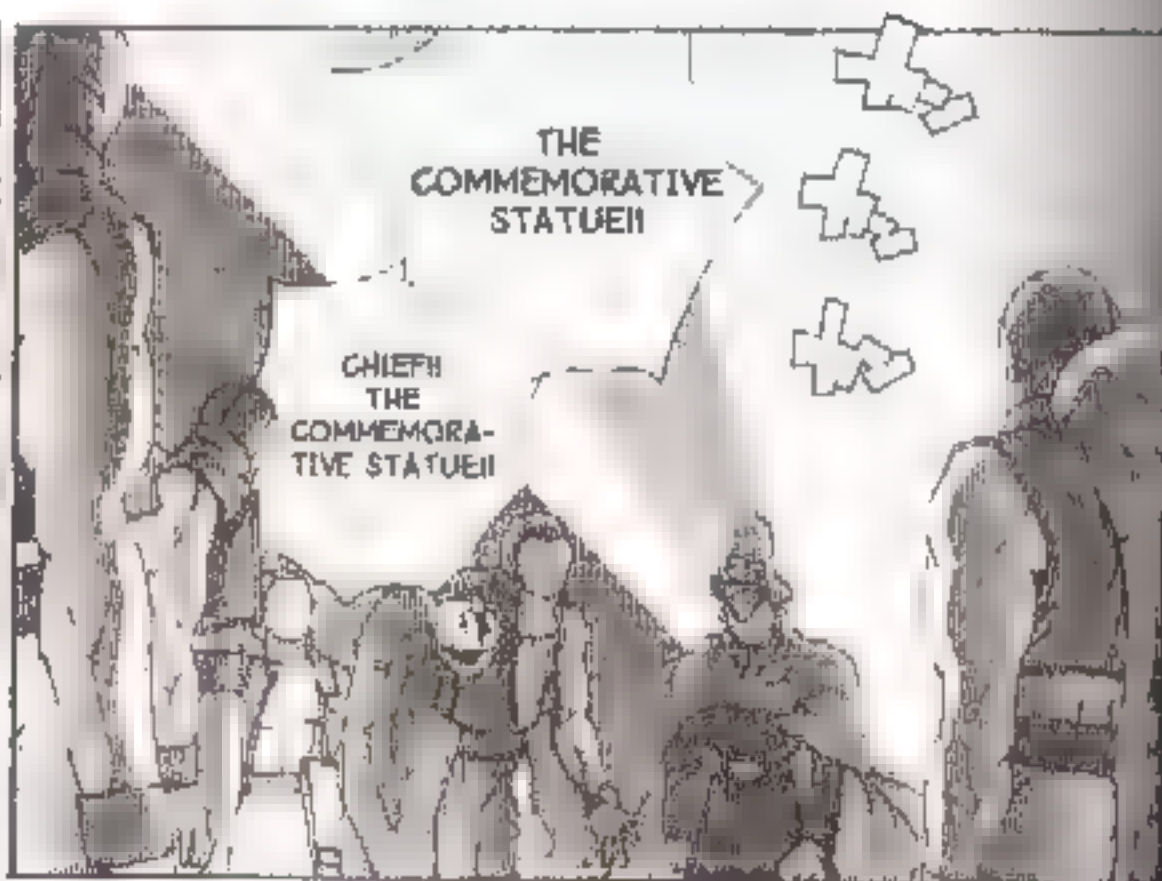
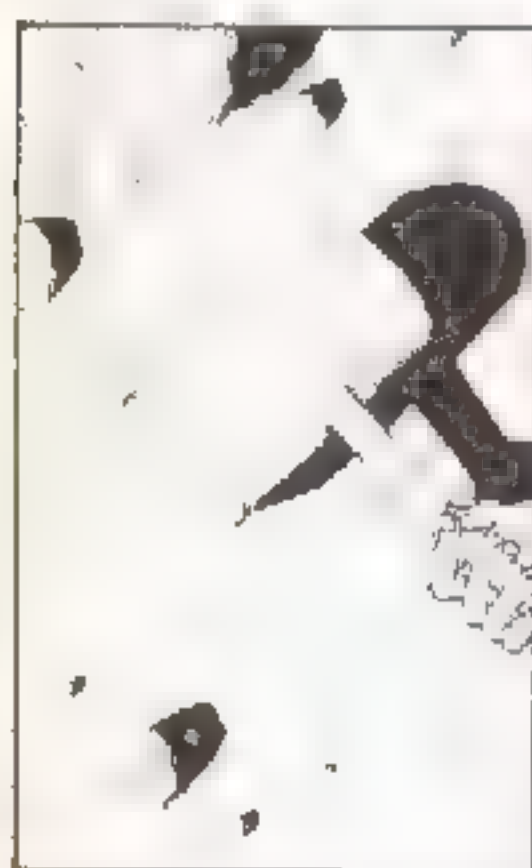


KIRI
WHAT SAY
WE POKE A
WIND-HOLE
IN THIS
HERE
DREAM?

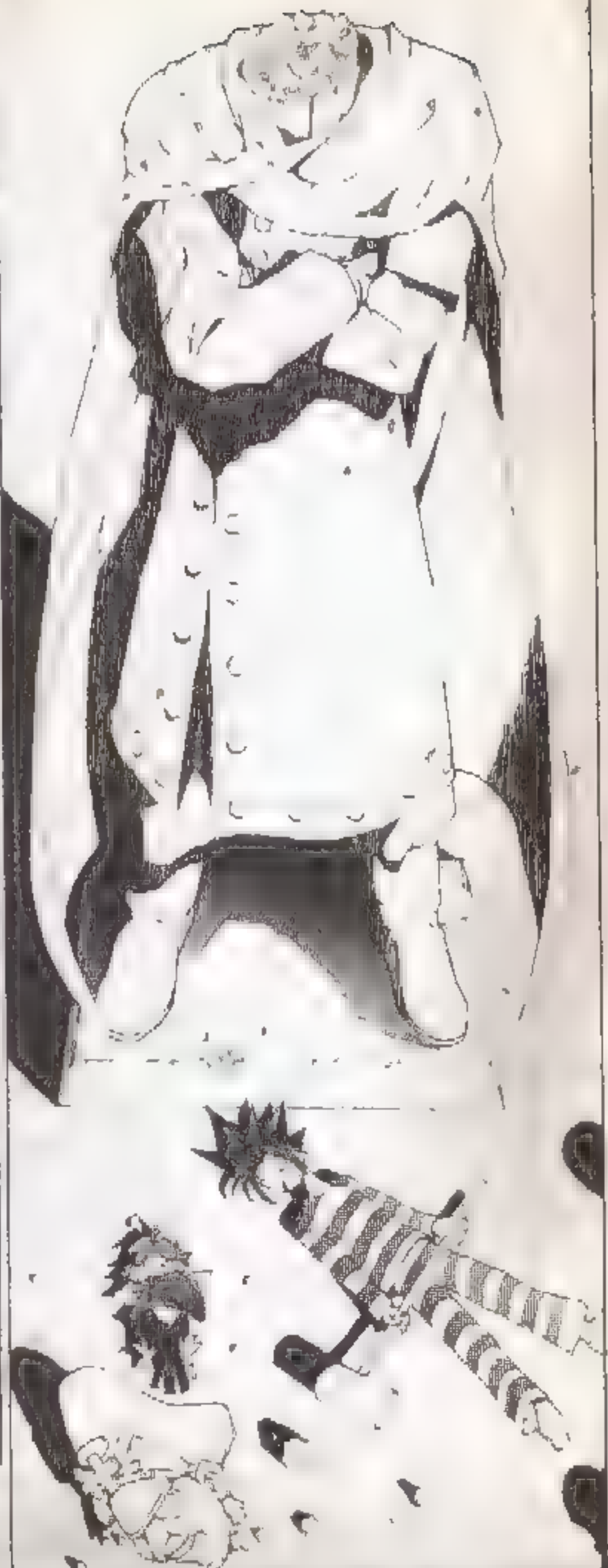
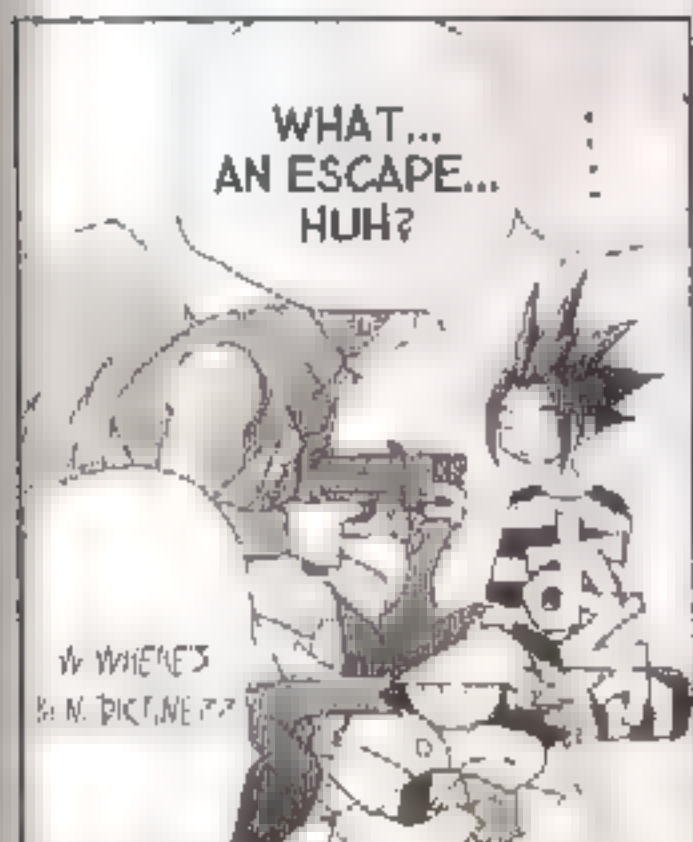
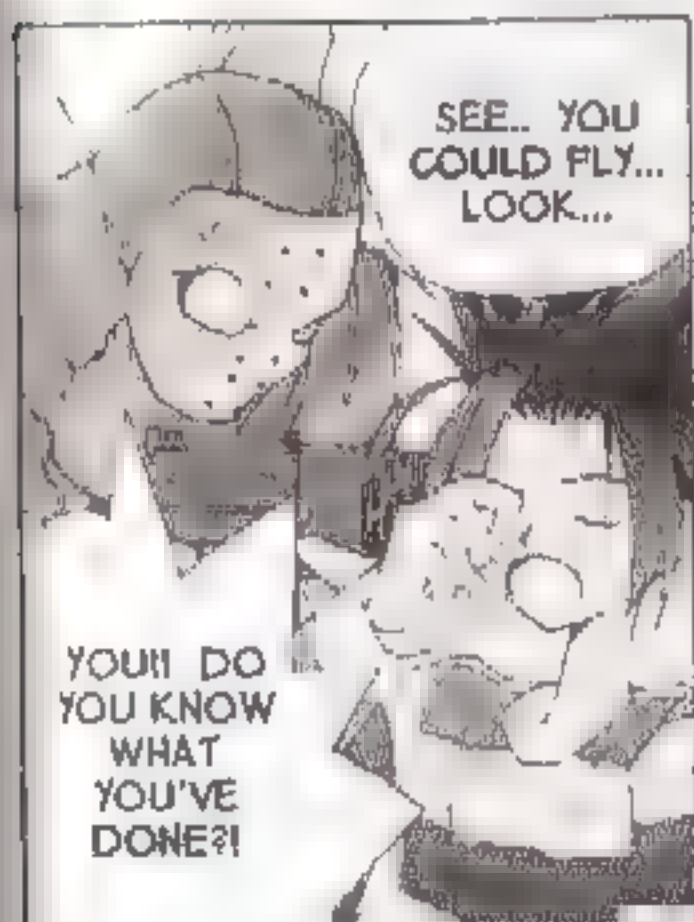
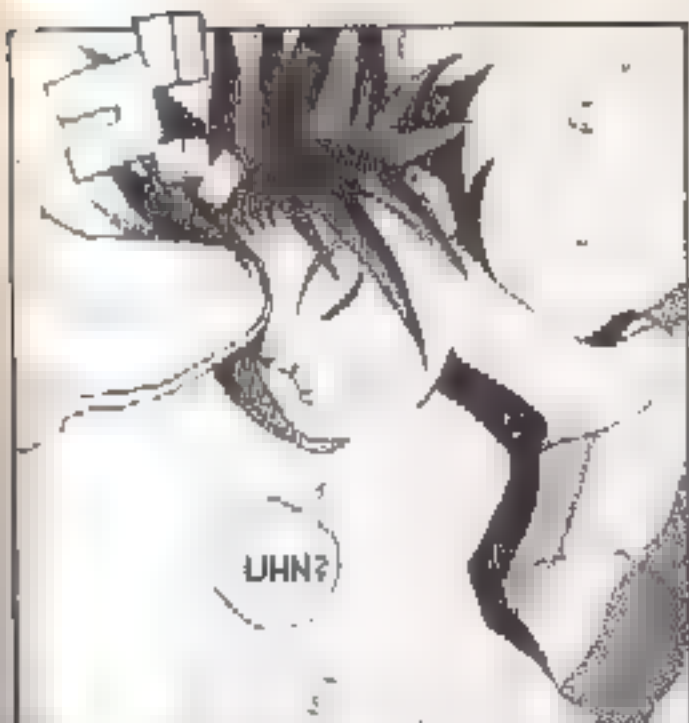
DDDDDDK-AYYY!







WH...
WHAT...?





SHE'S...
NOT...
HERE...



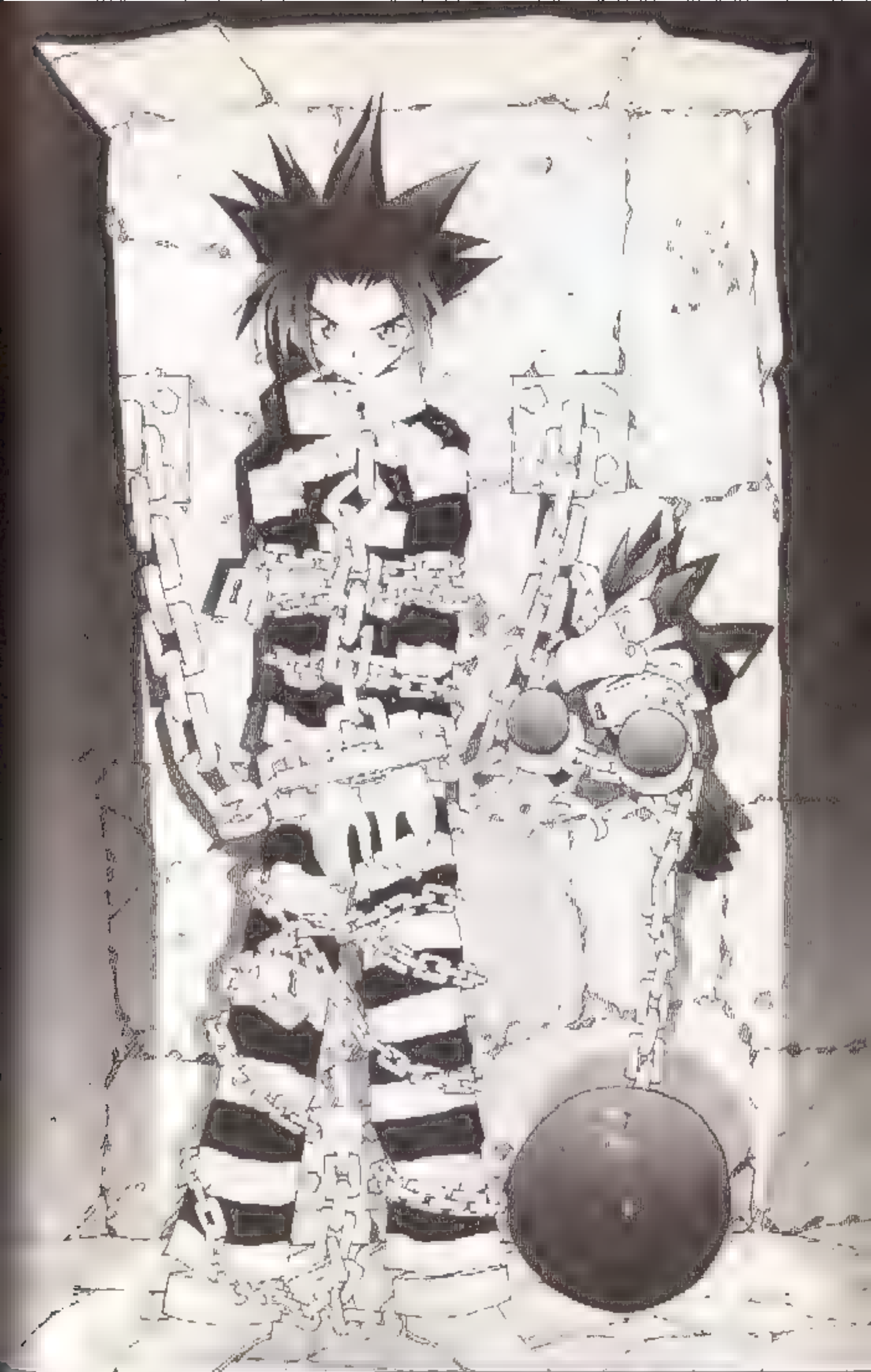
EEP.



CHIEF!!
H-HOW
SHOULD I
PUNISH--



**TAKE
THEM TO
THE MOST
ISOLATED
CELL!!!**





I CAN
PERSONALLY
GUARANTEE
THAT THE
NEXT LIGHT
YOU'LL SEE
WILL BE THE
BLAZES OF
HELL!!



HUH?
JING? DID THEY
LOCK YOUR MOUTH
TOO?



HEY JING IS
THIS ALSO A
DREAM? TELL ME
IT'S A DREAM!!





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JING: KING OF BANDITS

FOUR

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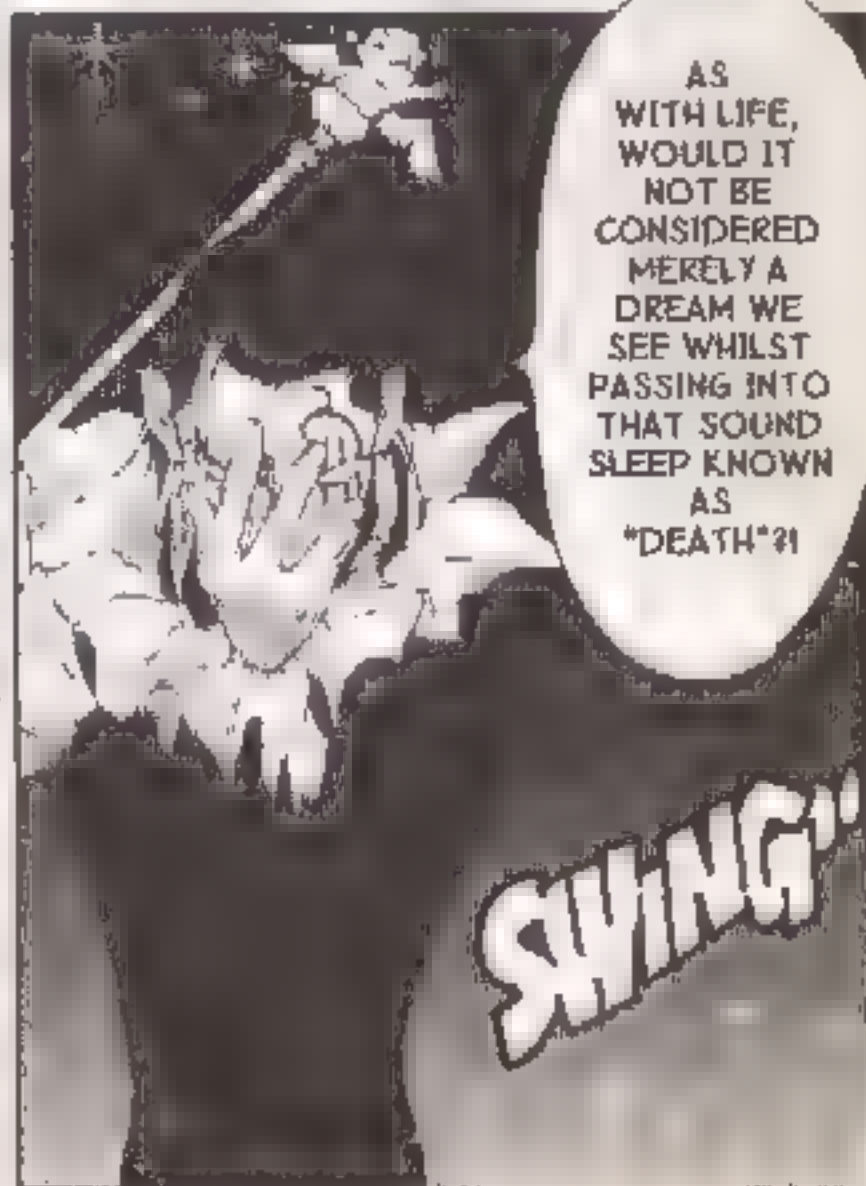
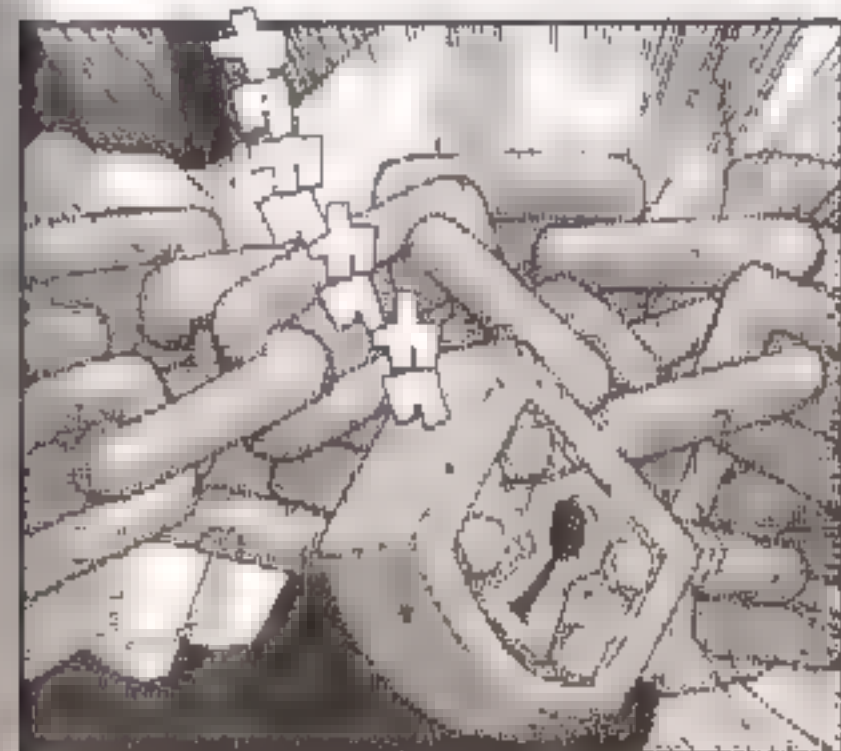
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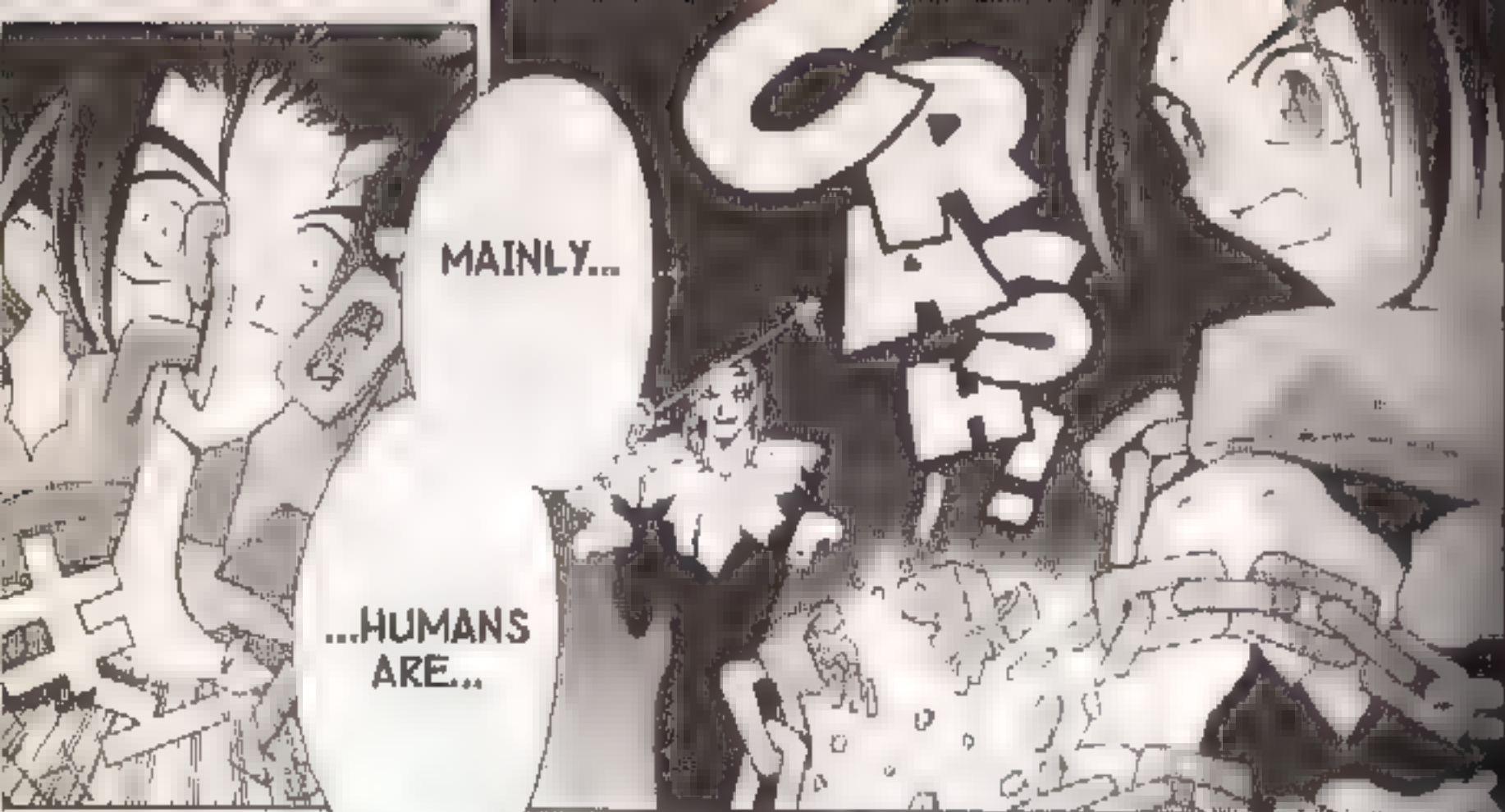
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A
DREAM
IS SOMETIMES
CALLED
A SECOND
LIFE



17TH SHOT - A SNEEZE FROM THE SUN





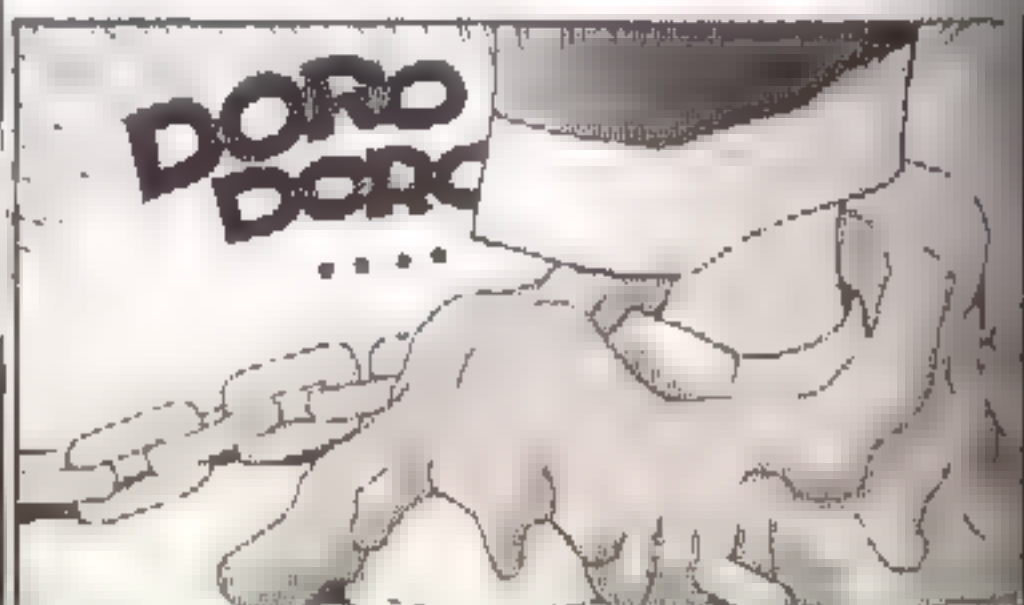
MAINLY...

...HUMANS
ARE...

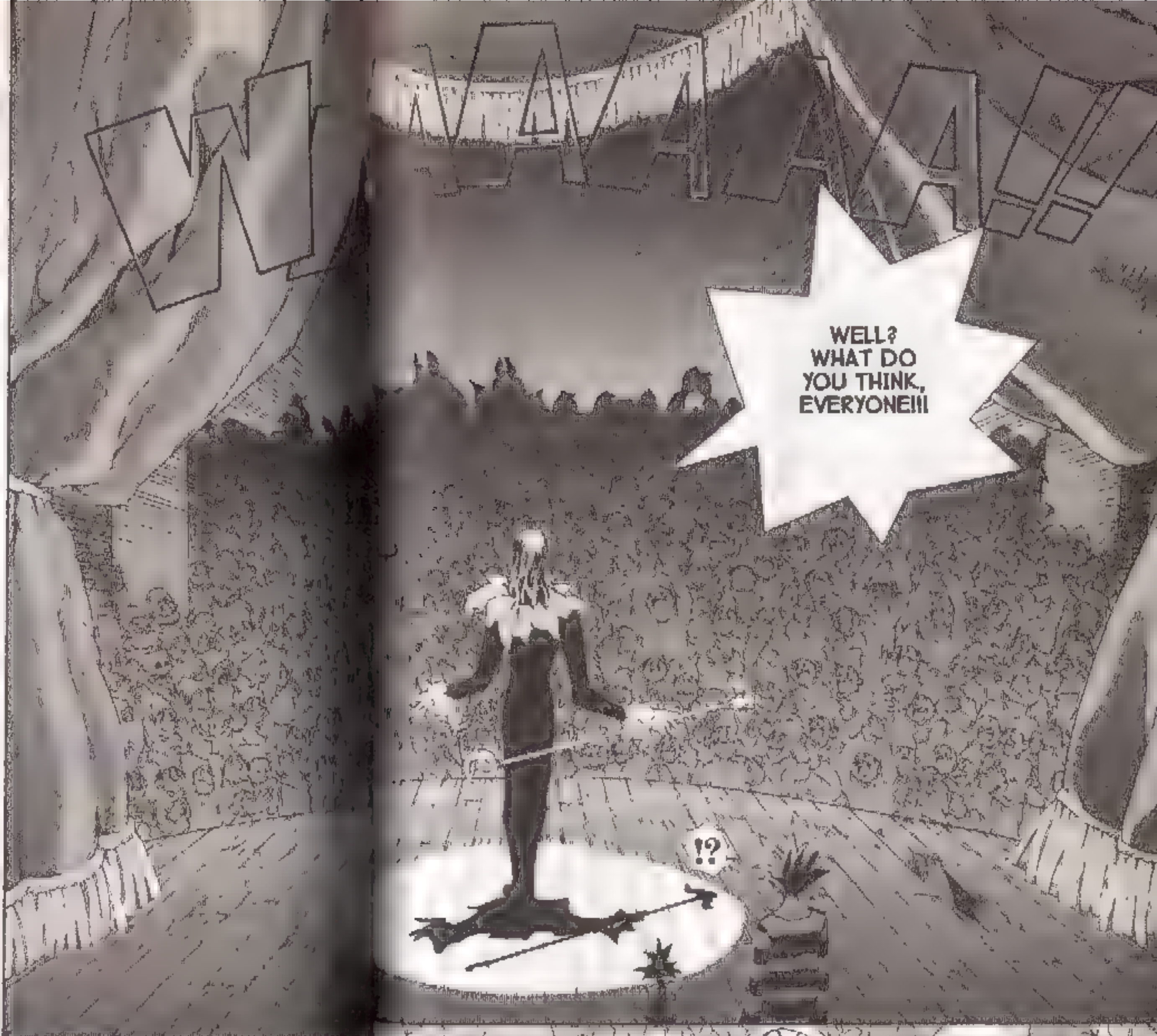
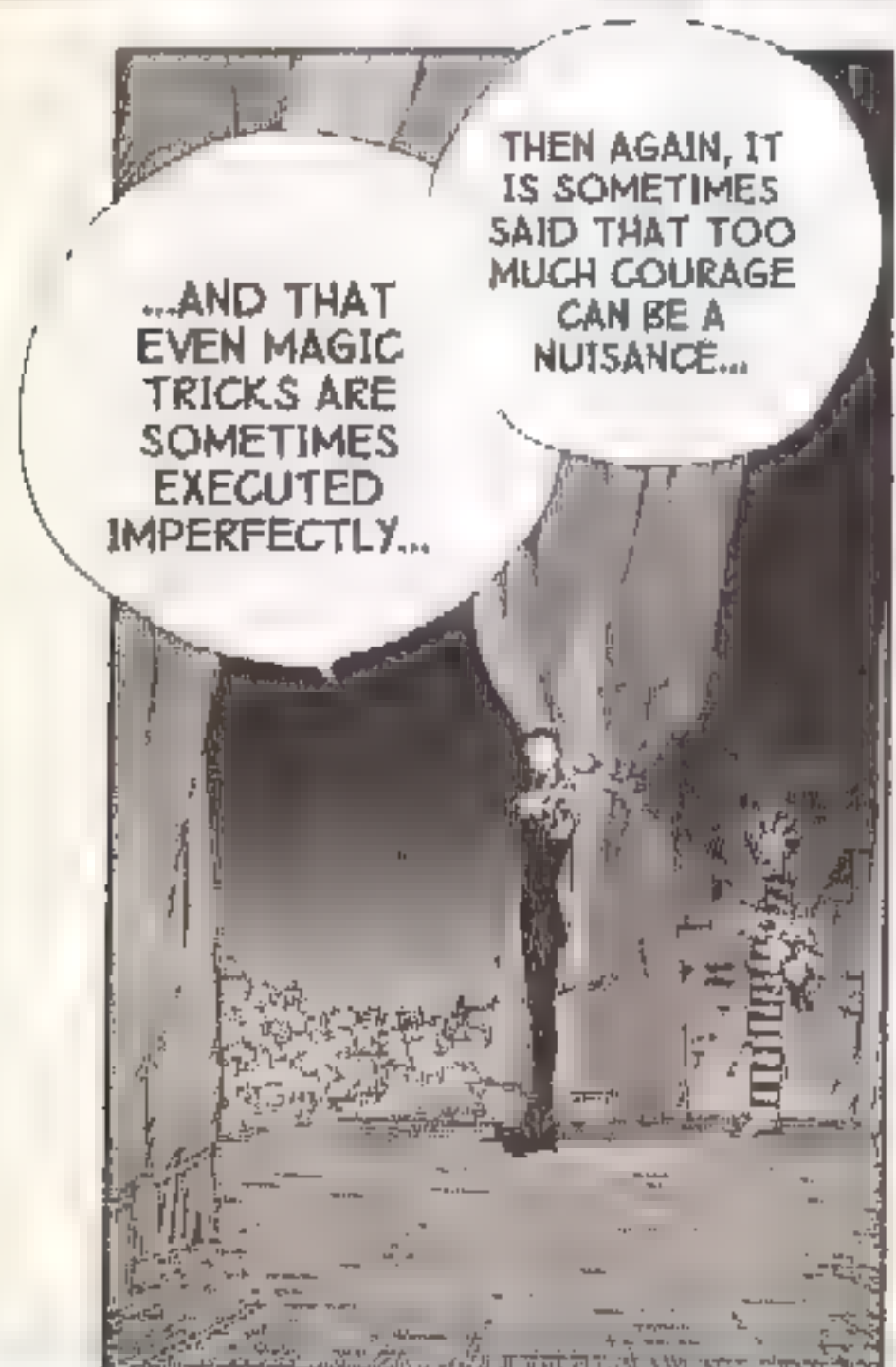
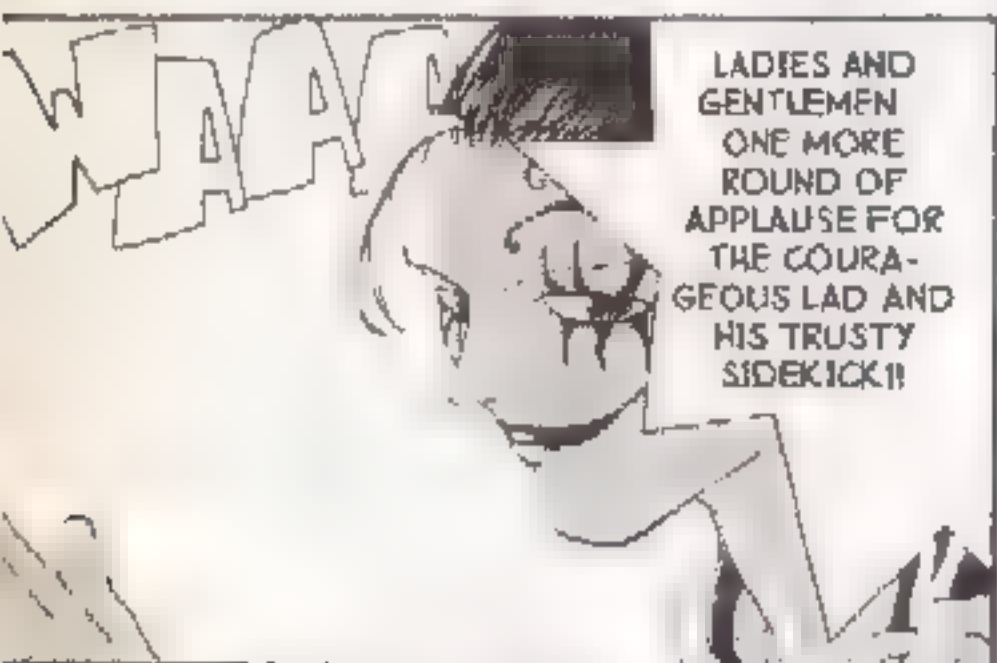
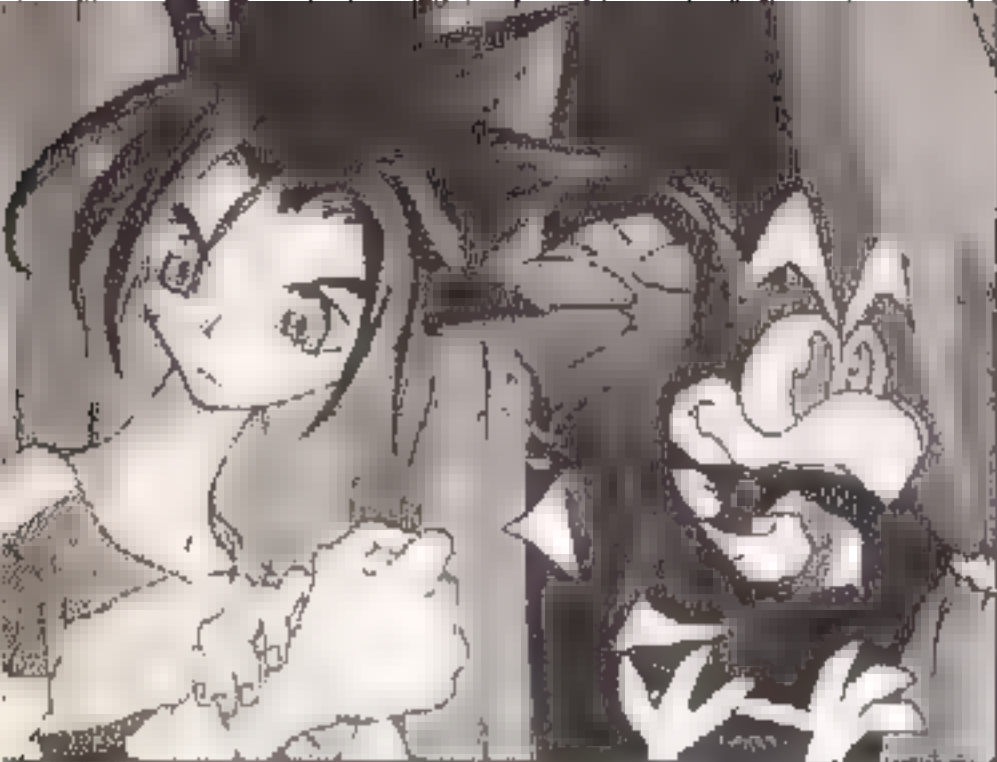


...
TALKATIVE

YES...
NOTHING
MORE THAN
CHATTY
SLEEP-
WALKERS.



DORO
DORO
....



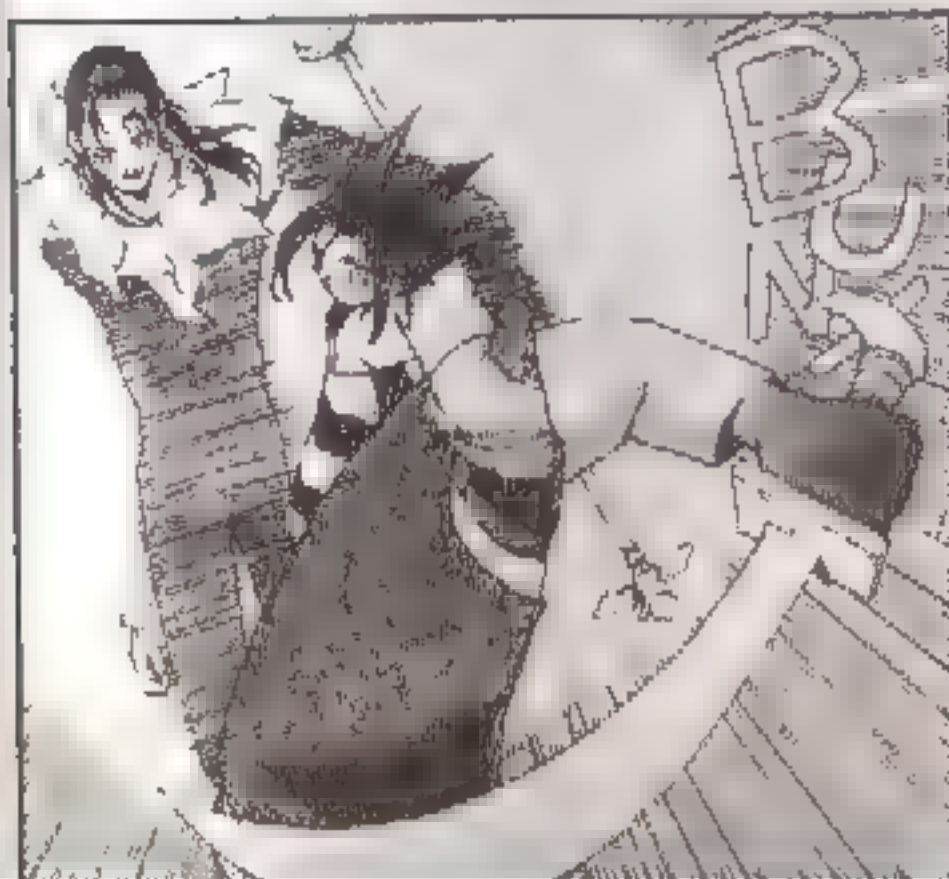
AH, LOOK!
THIS...AND
THIS...WERE THE
VISCOUNT
MEDARDO! I
WONDER, WILL THEY
ENLIGHTEN US AS TO
THE CAUSE OF HIS
DEATH?



IF ANYTHING,
I'D SAY YOU
SPLIT OUR
BODY CLEAN
APART...
GRRRR.

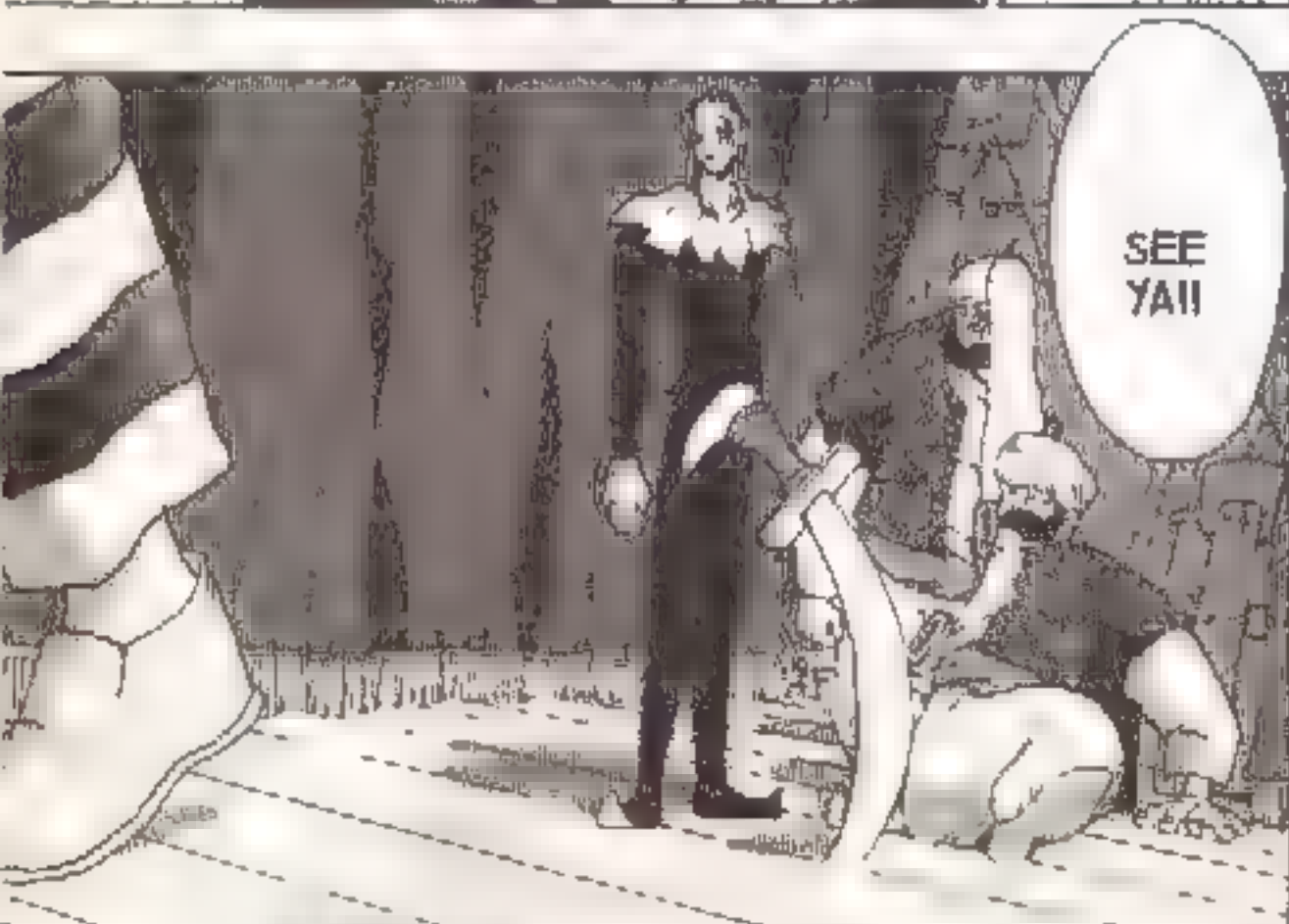
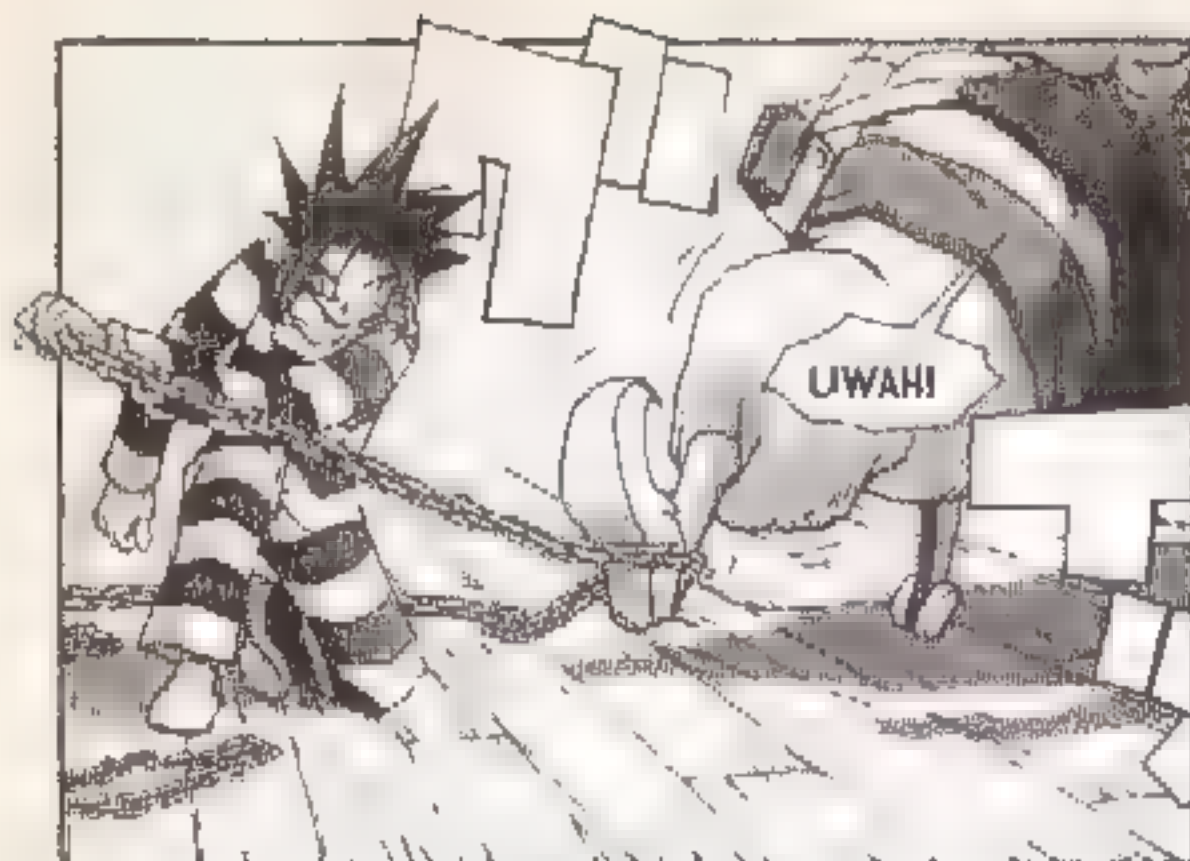


THE CAUSE OF HIS
INJURIES?!! HAH! WE'RE
LIKE THIS BECAUSE YOU
FAILED TO PERFORM A
SIMPLE MAGIC CHARM
FOR HUMAN AMPUTATION.

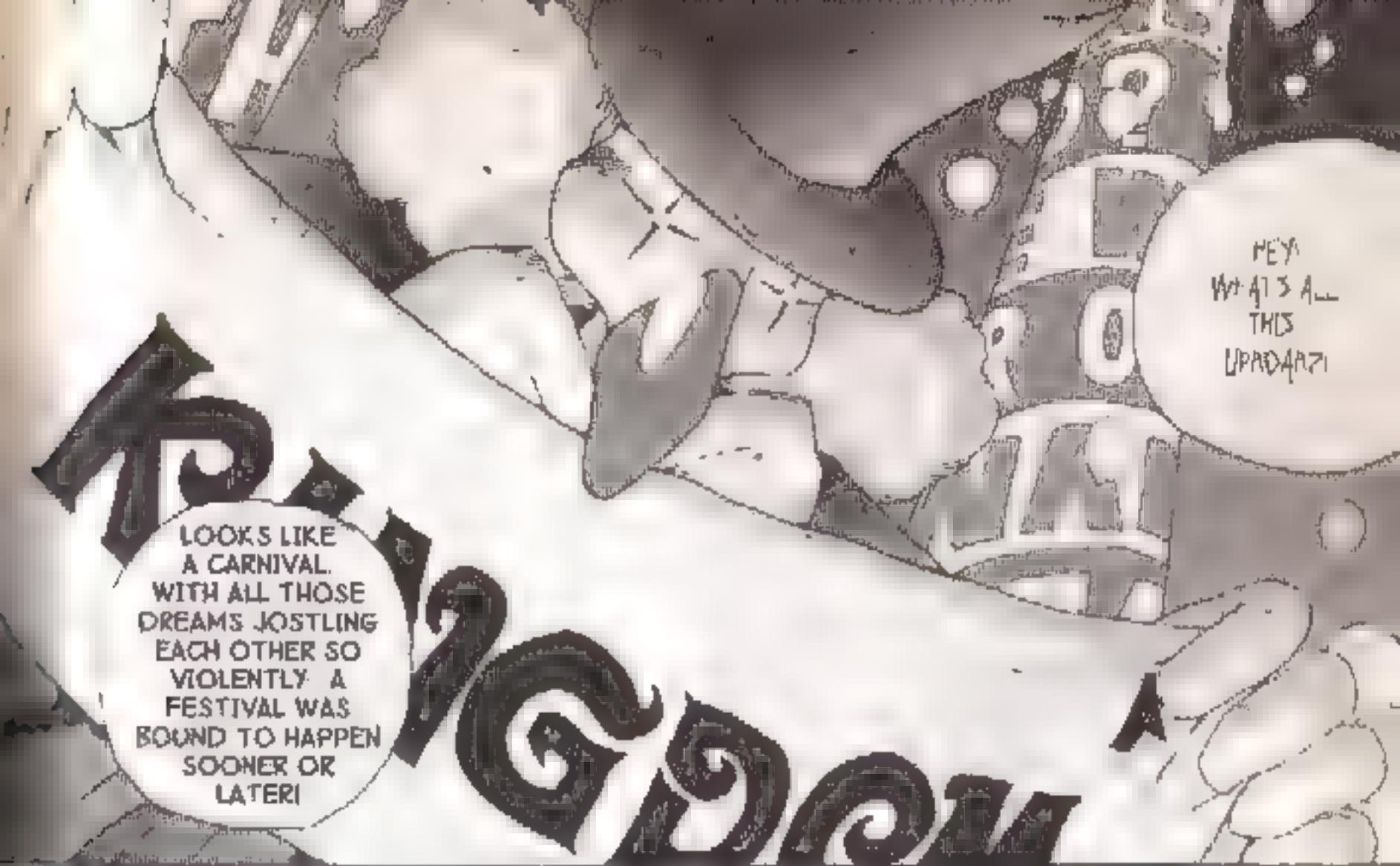


WE'LL
TEACH YOU
A LEEESSS-
SOOOONI

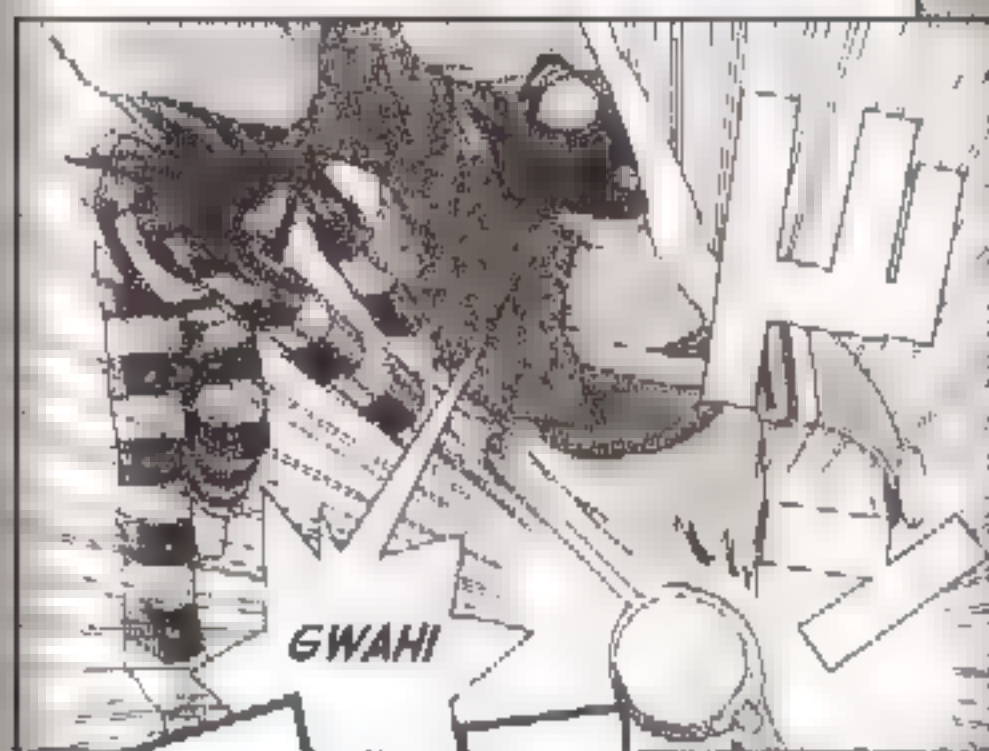
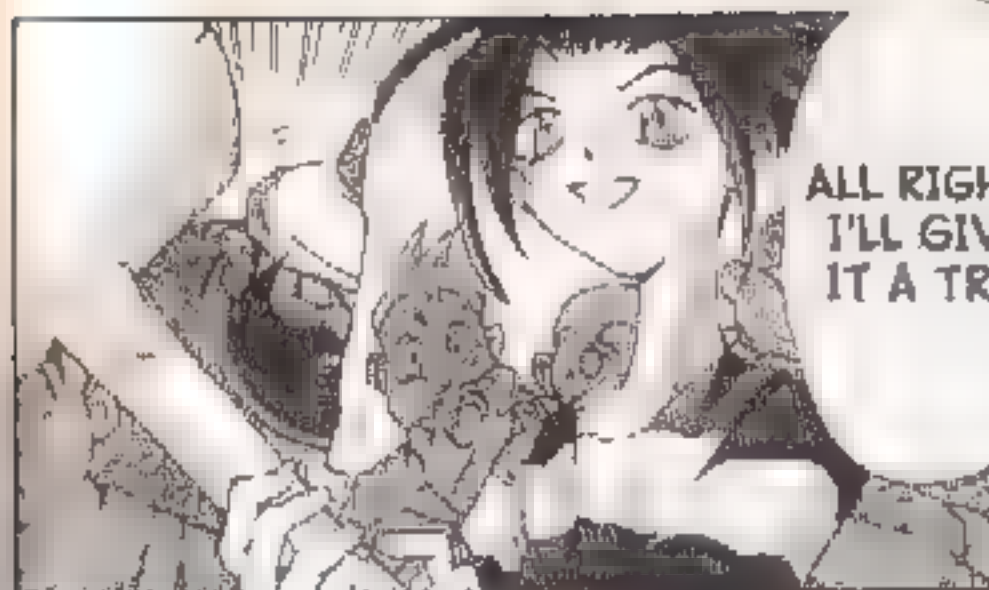






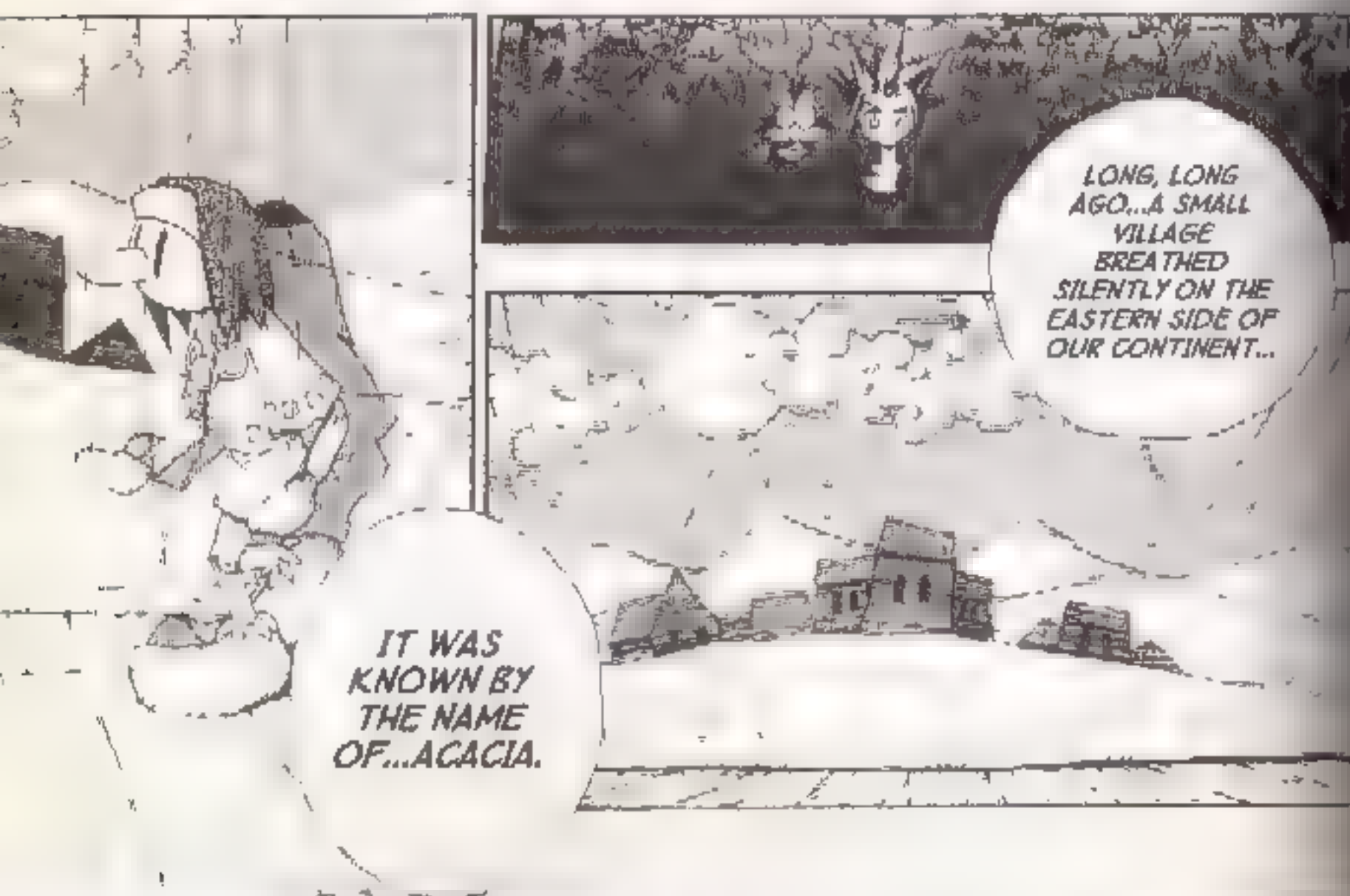














THEY
COEXISTED
PEACEFULLY WITH
THE EARTH, WOR-
SHIPED THE SUN
AND REVERED THE
WIND AND THEY
SPENT MANY DAYS
IN PEACE.

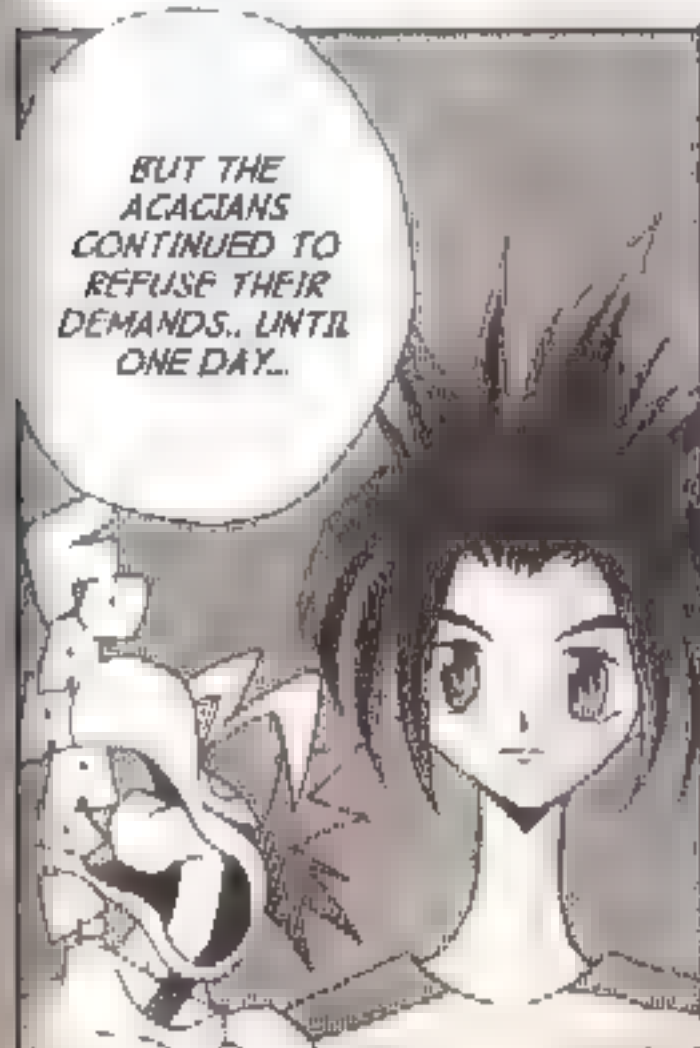
THE
ACACIANS
WERE SIMPLE
AND PURE OF
HEART..THEIR
SPIRITS WERE
COMPLETELY
UNACQUAINTED
WITH DOUBT



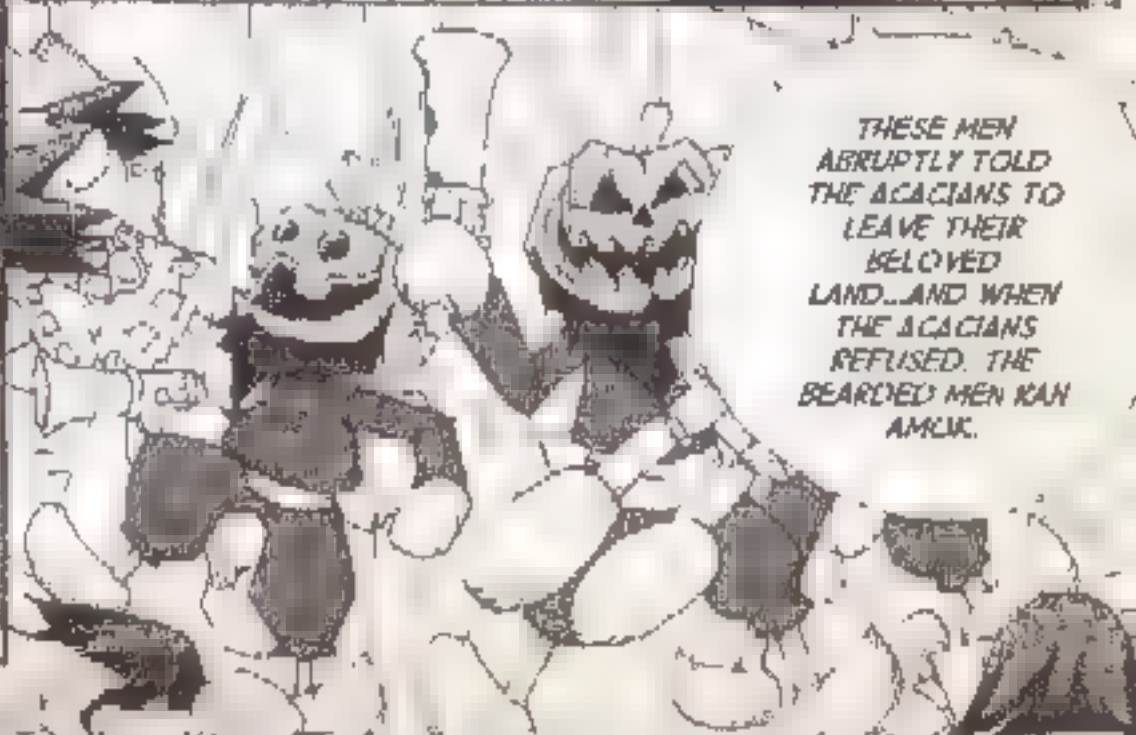
...EVERYTHING
CHANGED
WHEN THE
"BEARDED
MEN"
APPEARED!!



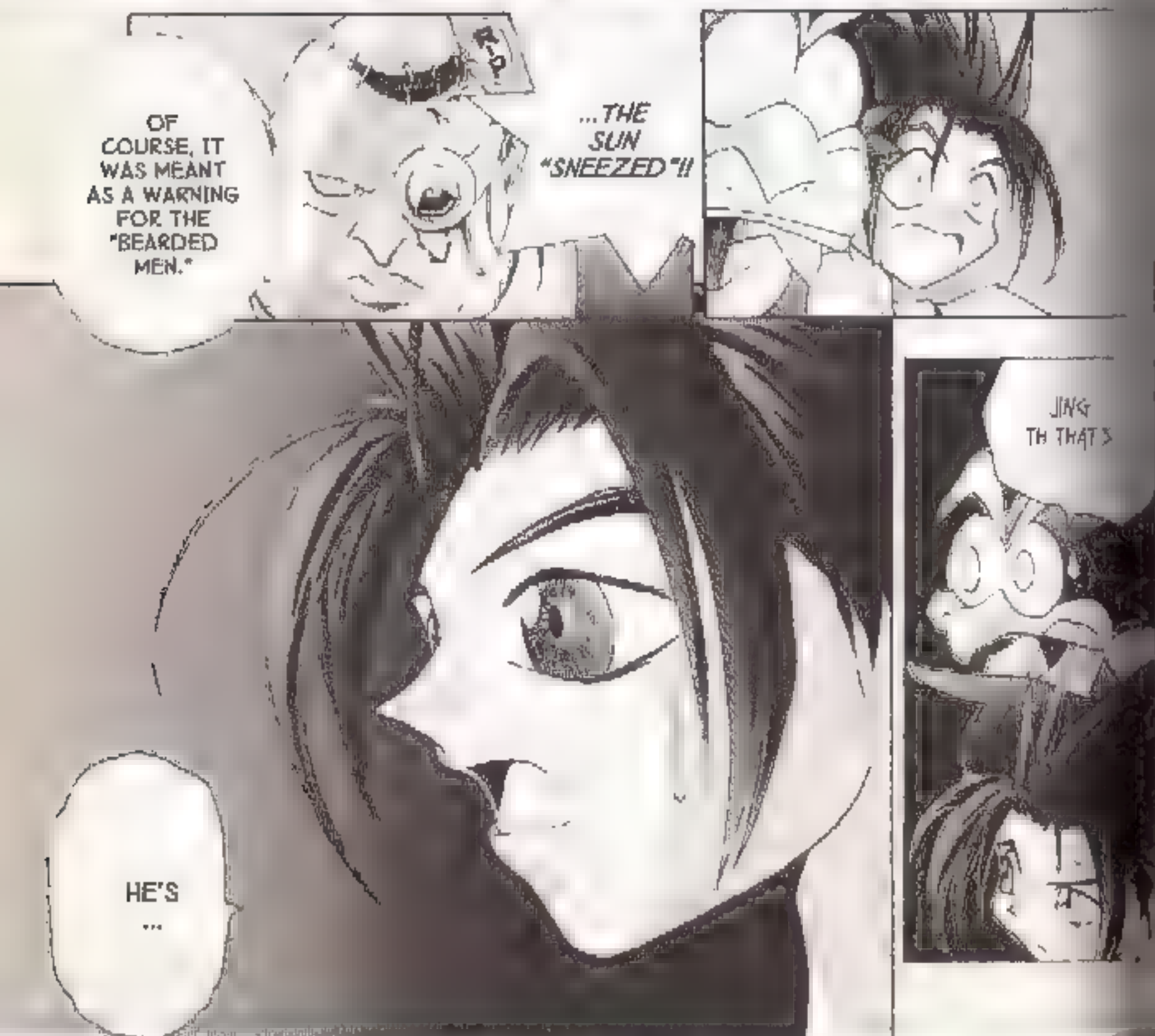
HOWEVER...

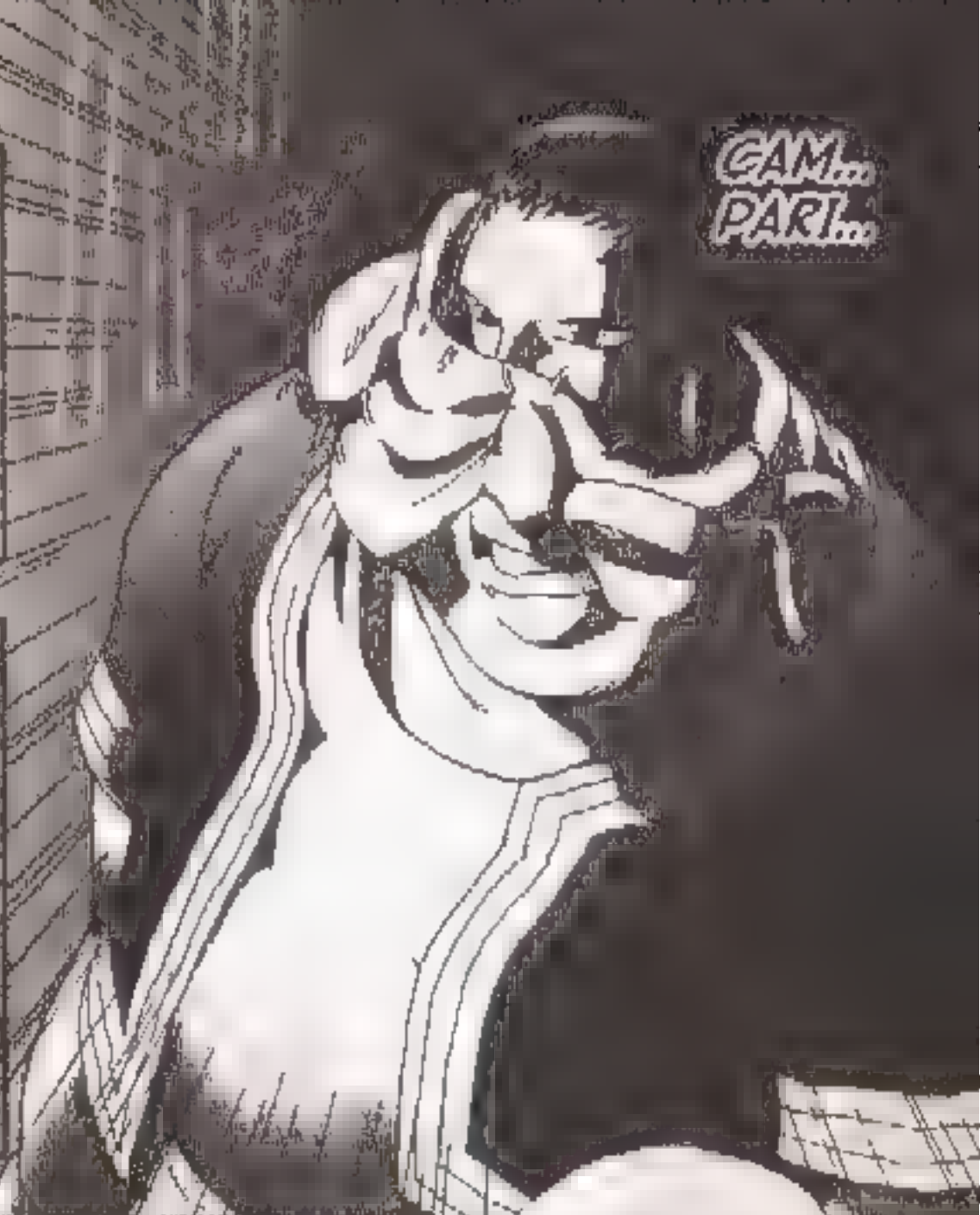
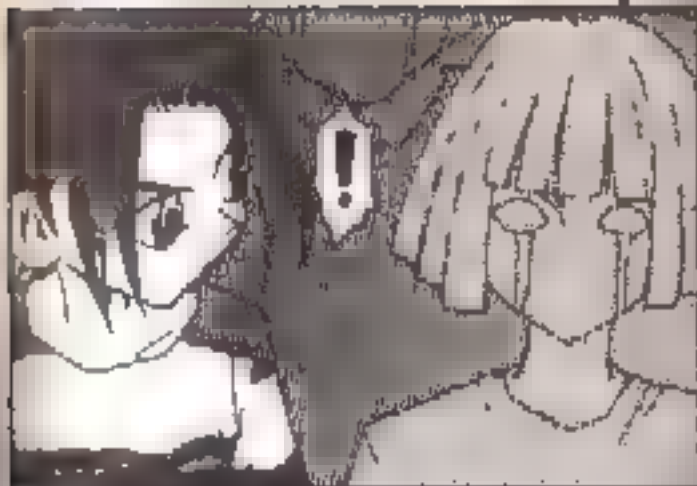


BUT THE
ACACIANS
CONTINUED TO
REFUSE THEIR
DEMANDS.. UNTIL
ONE DAY..



THESE MEN
ABRUPTLY TOLD
THE ACACIANS TO
LEAVE THEIR
BELOVED
LAND..AND WHEN
THE ACACIANS
REFUSED, THE
BEARDED MEN RAN
AMOK.



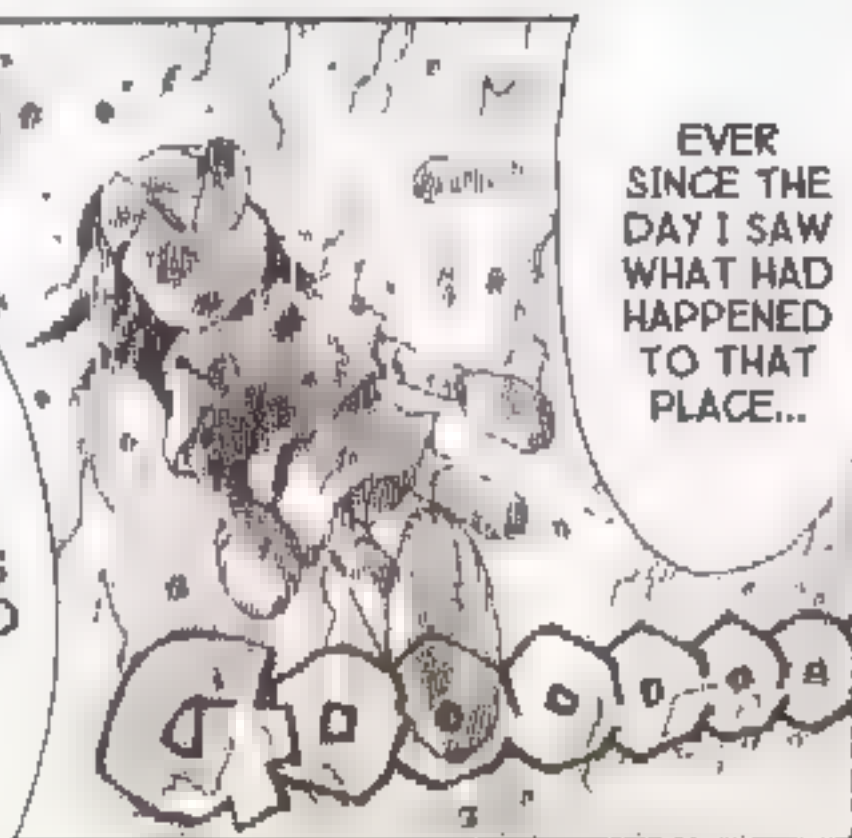


THAT
SETTLEMENT
OF DISGUSTING
"BEARDED MEN"
HAD TRAMPLED
MY HOMETOWN.



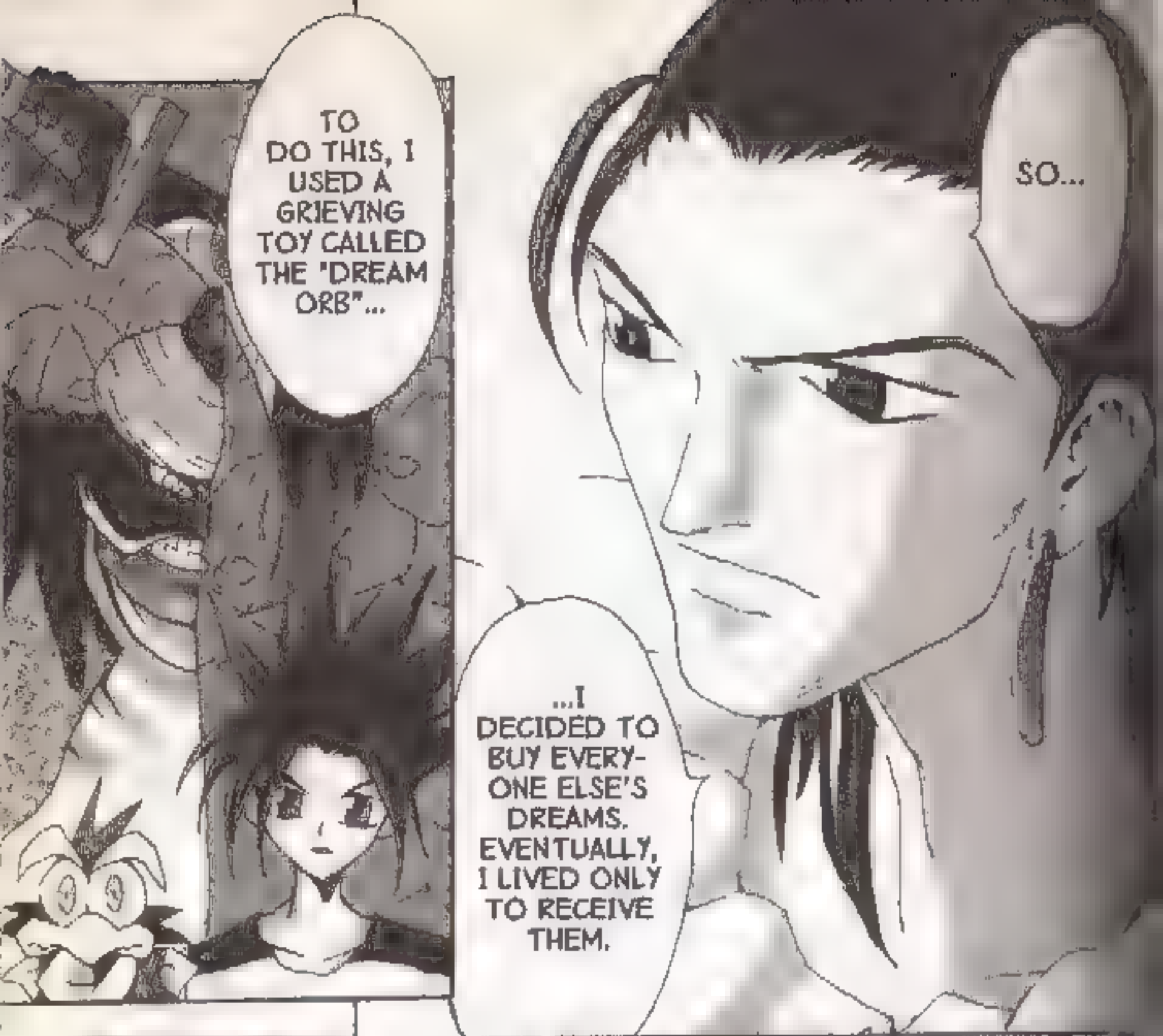
WHEN I
RETURNED
AFTER SO MANY
YEARS...NOT
EVEN A TRACE
OF MY VILLAGE
WAS LEFT!!

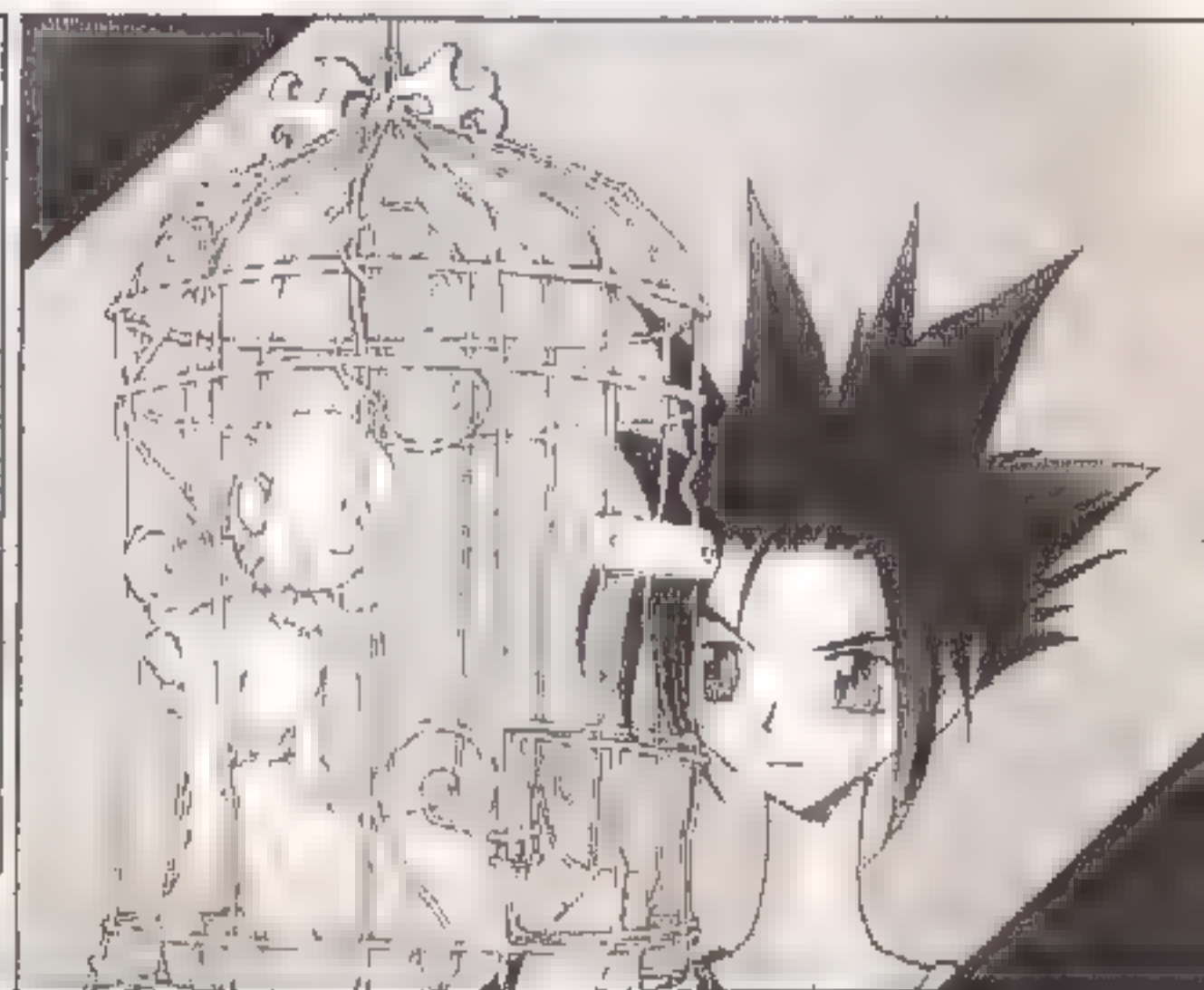
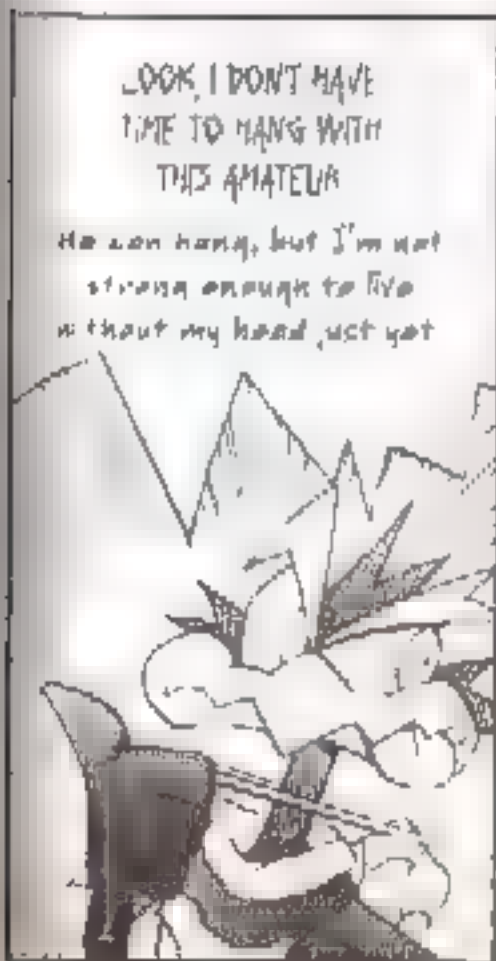
...MY
DREAMS
WERE NO
MORE.



EVER
SINCE THE
DAY I SAW
WHAT HAD
HAPPENED
TO THAT
PLACE...



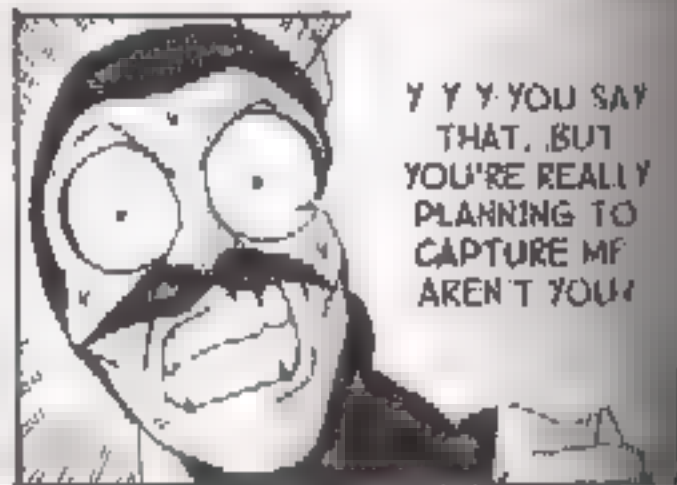




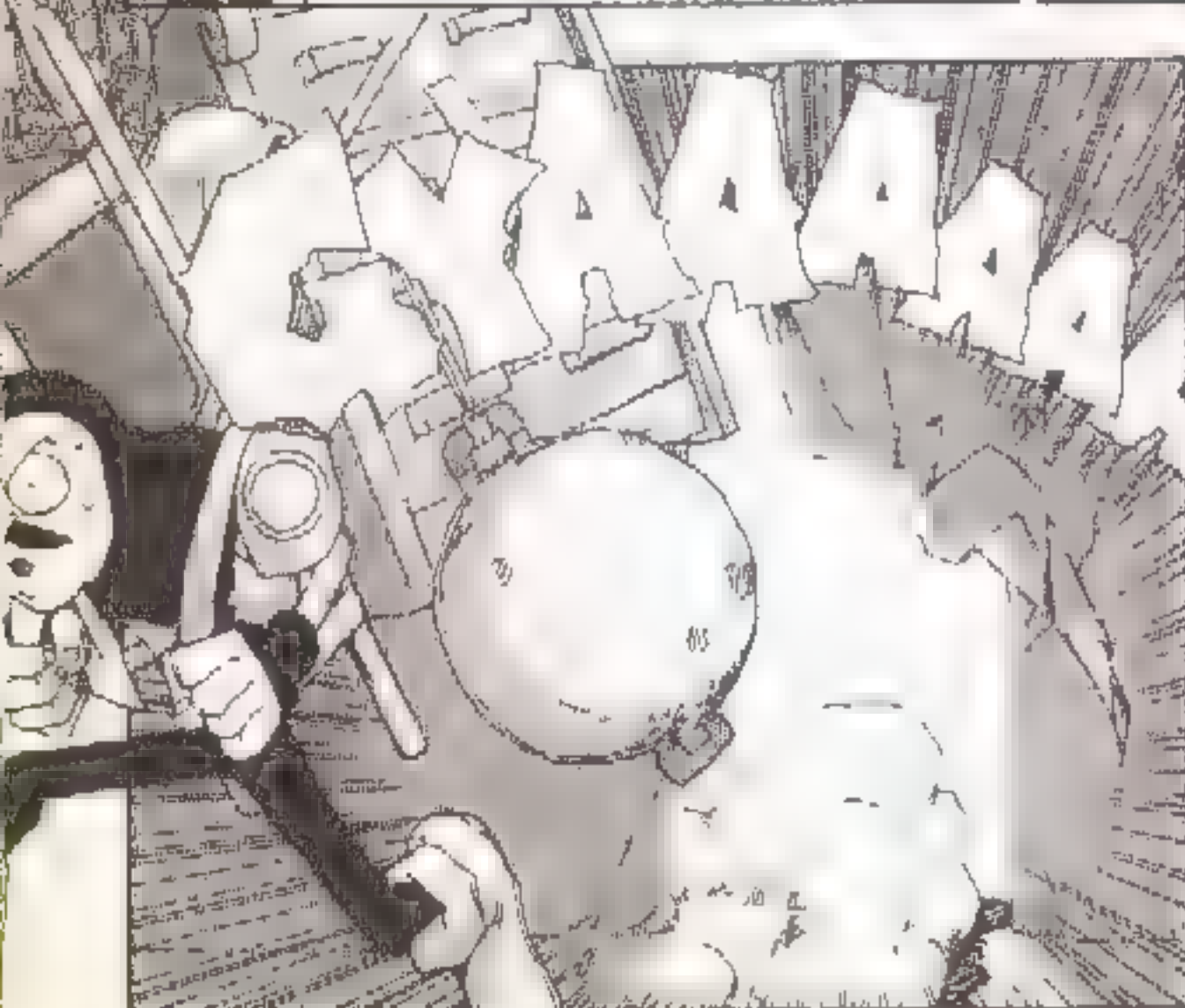


SORRY,
BUT WE'LL
BE NEEDING
THAT
DOLL.

A
DREAM
THIEF,
EH?



Y Y Y YOU SAY
THAT, BUT
YOU'RE REALLY
PLANNING TO
CAPTURE ME
AREN'T YOU?





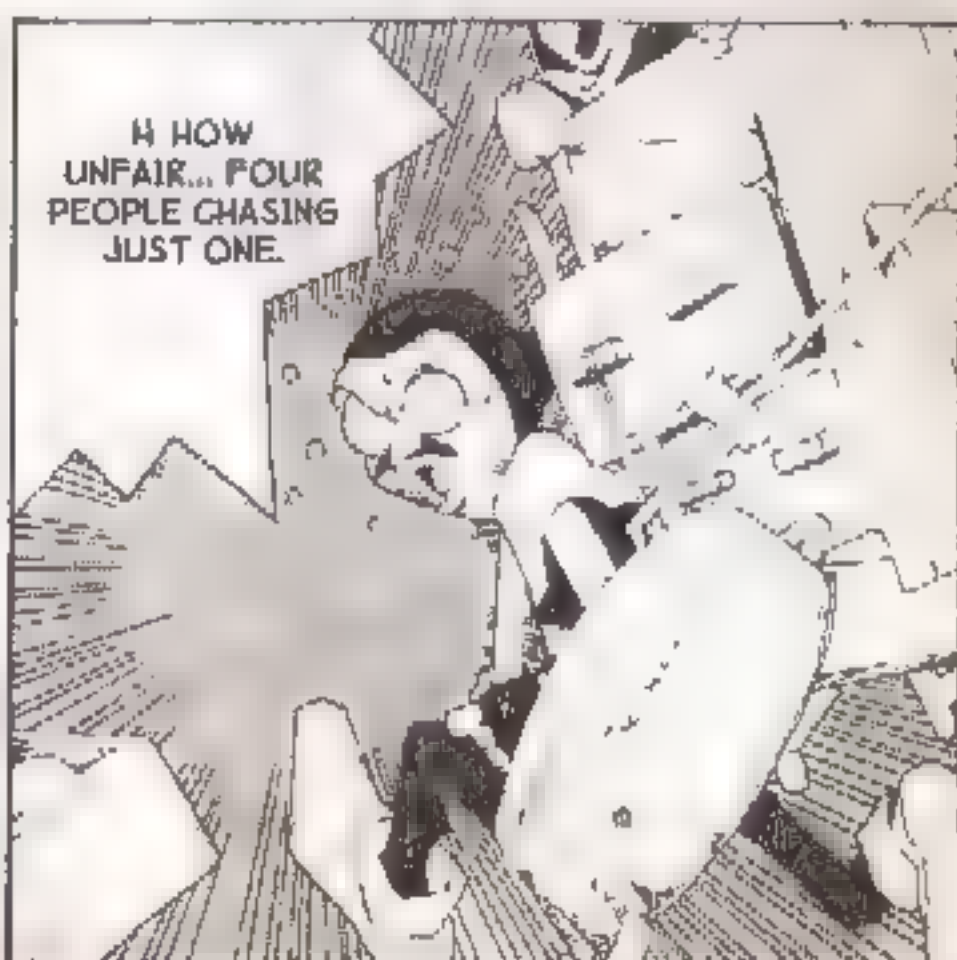
WELL...
HOLD ON,
KIR.

JINGA WHAT DO YOU
CARE ABOUT SOME
MAGGEDY OLD DOLL?

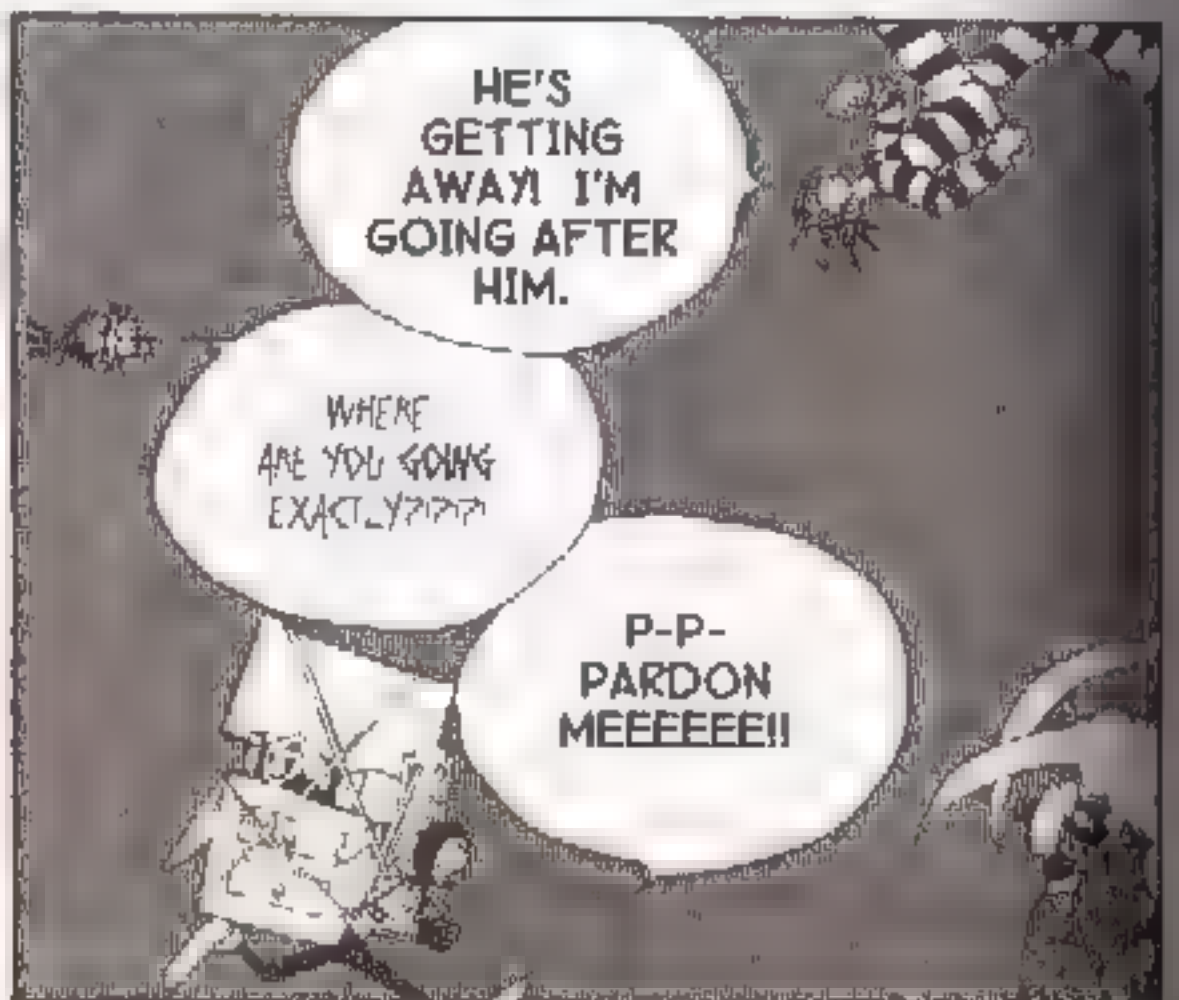
We could use Kir
Royale

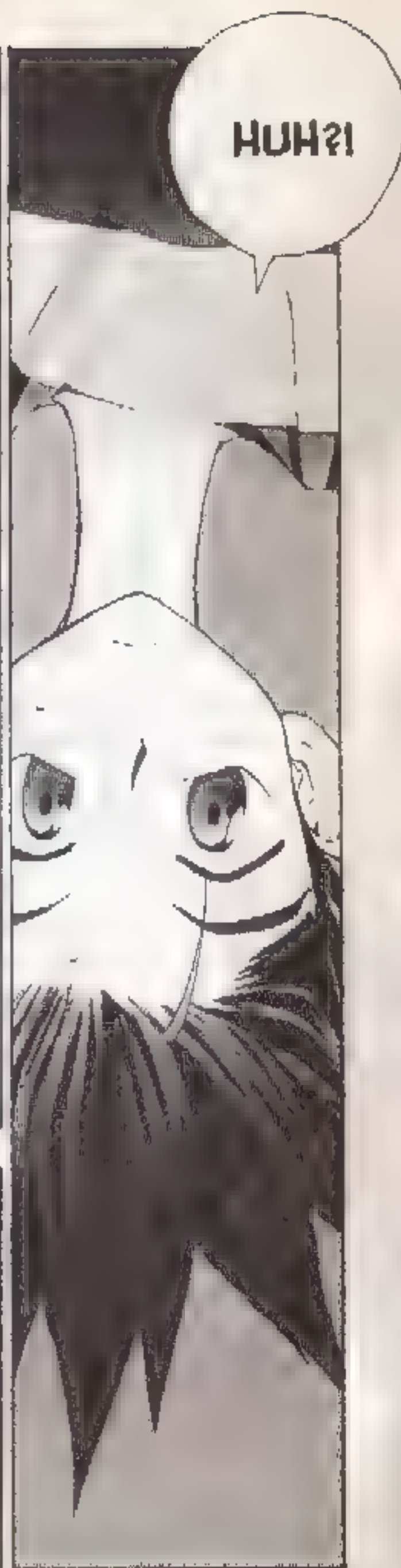


FOUR
PEOPLE?!



H HOW
UNFAIR... FOUR
PEOPLE CHASING
JUST ONE.









WHY
HAVEN'T I
LEFT THIS
PETTY
PRISON?

WHY,
YOU
ASK...?



THE
WORLD CAN
BE A PRISON
UNTO
ITSELF, MY
YOUNG
KING OF
BANDITS!!

BECAUSE
AS FAR
AS I'M
CONCERNED,
I NO LONGER
HAVE A PLACE
TO LEAVE
TO...

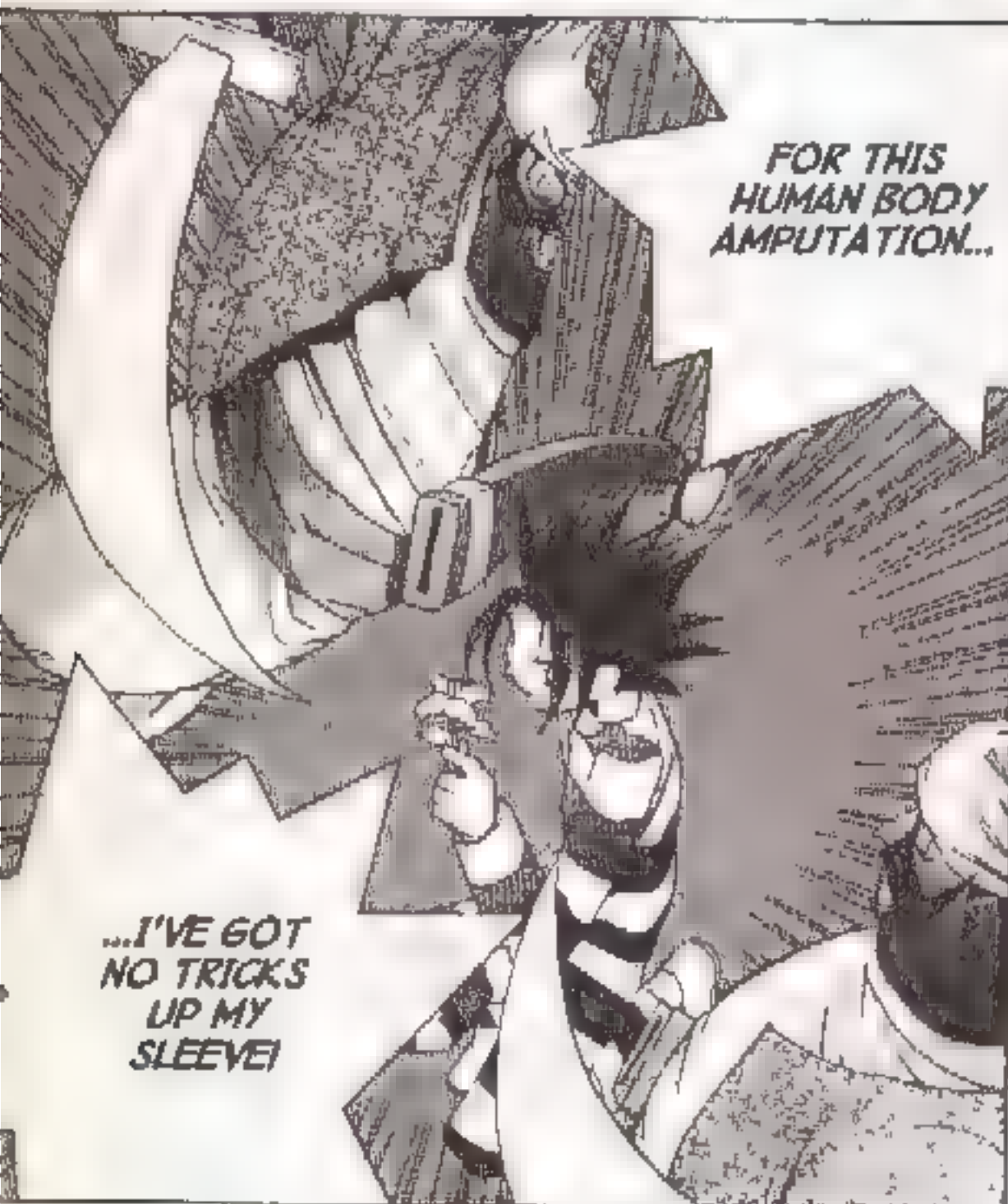


JING?

WE ARE
BOTH
ROOTLESS
WANDERERS,
YOU AND I.



FLOWERS
MAY
BLOOM IN
DUCK WEED.
BUT...LOOK
HERE!!



FOR THIS
HUMAN BODY
AMPUTATION...

...I'VE GOT
NO TRICKS
UP MY
SLEEVE!



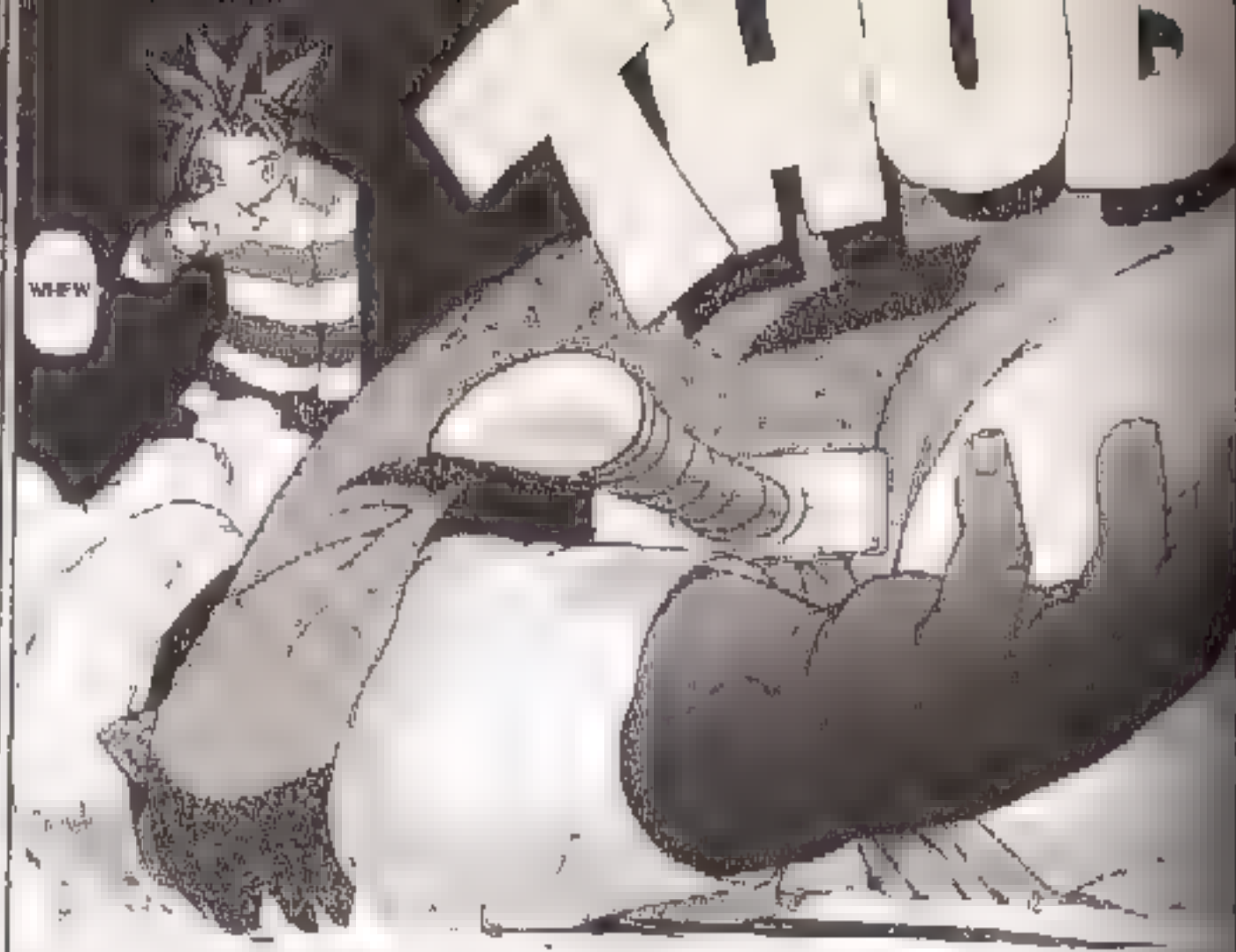
HMPHI

WHAT
CHILDISH
MAGIC!!!

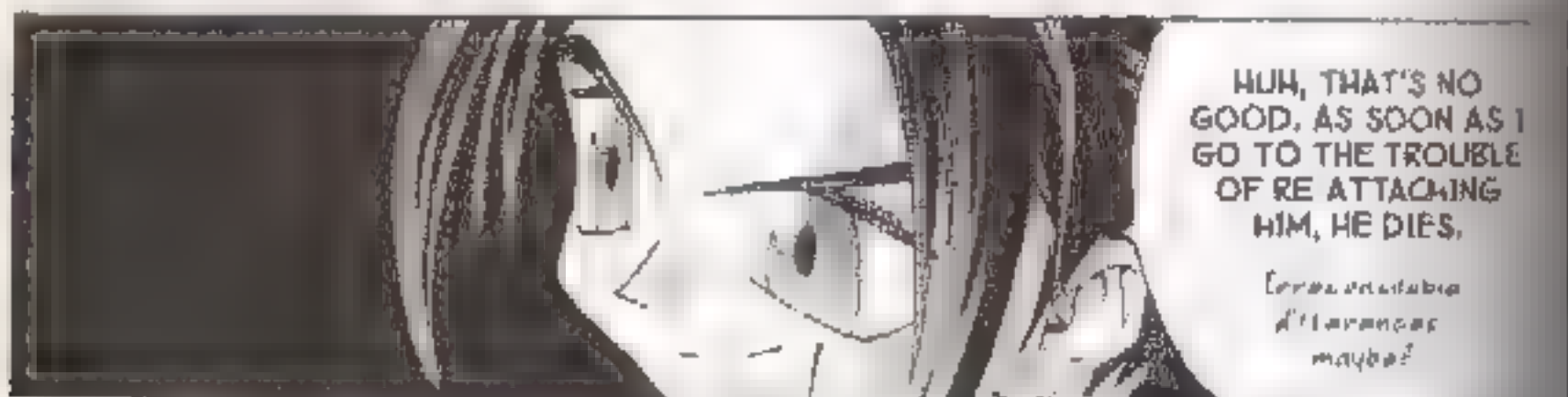




JINGII
ARE YOU
OKAY?



WHEW

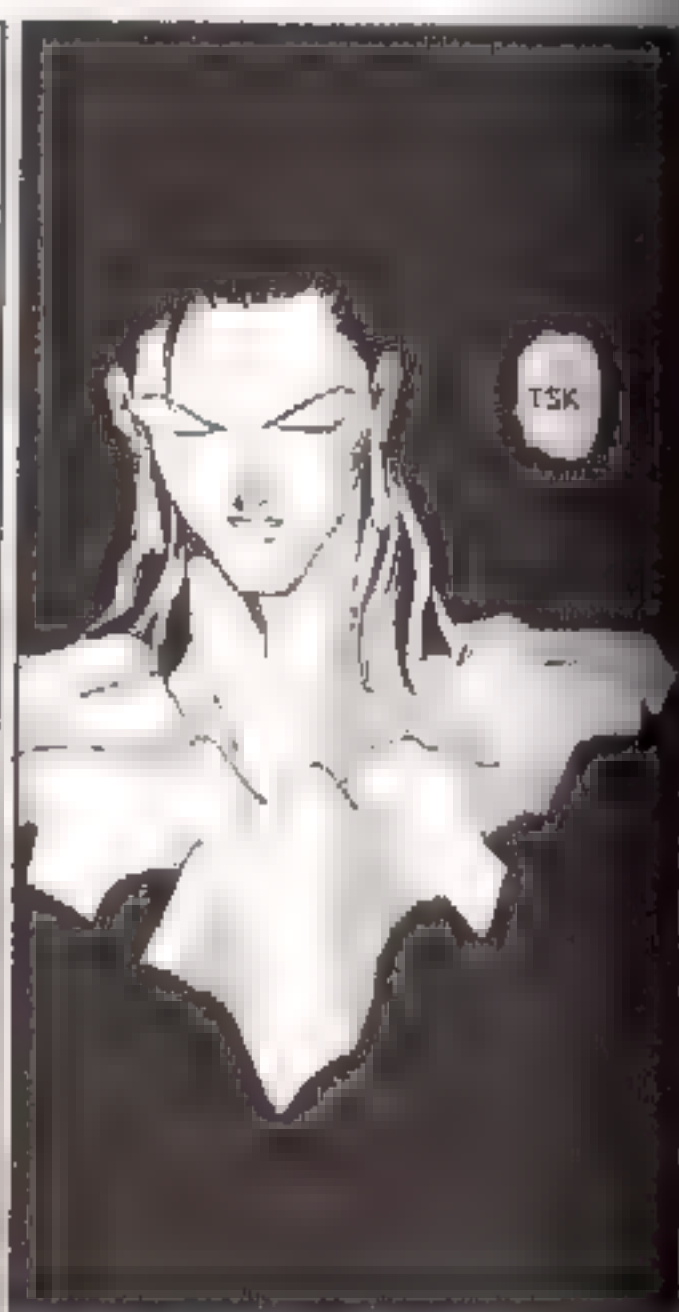


HUH, THAT'S NO
GOOD, AS SOON AS I
GO TO THE TROUBLE
OF RE ATTACHING
HIM, HE DIES.

*Convenient
distances
maybe?*

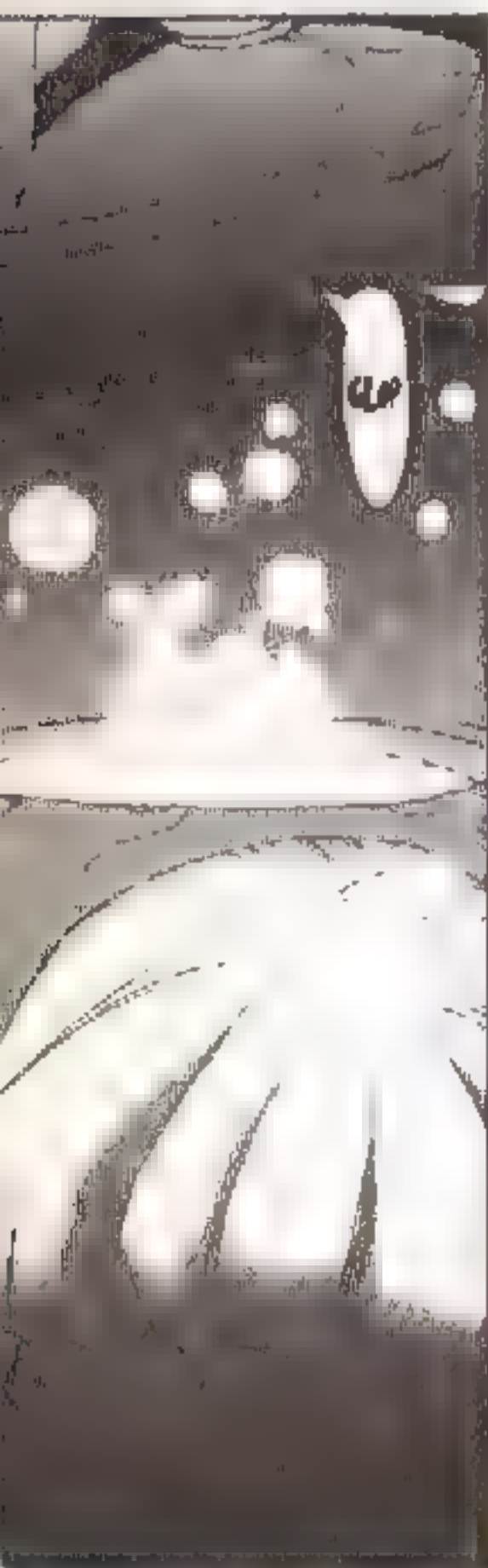


DON'T
DISAPPEAR
JUST YET,
CAMPARI!!

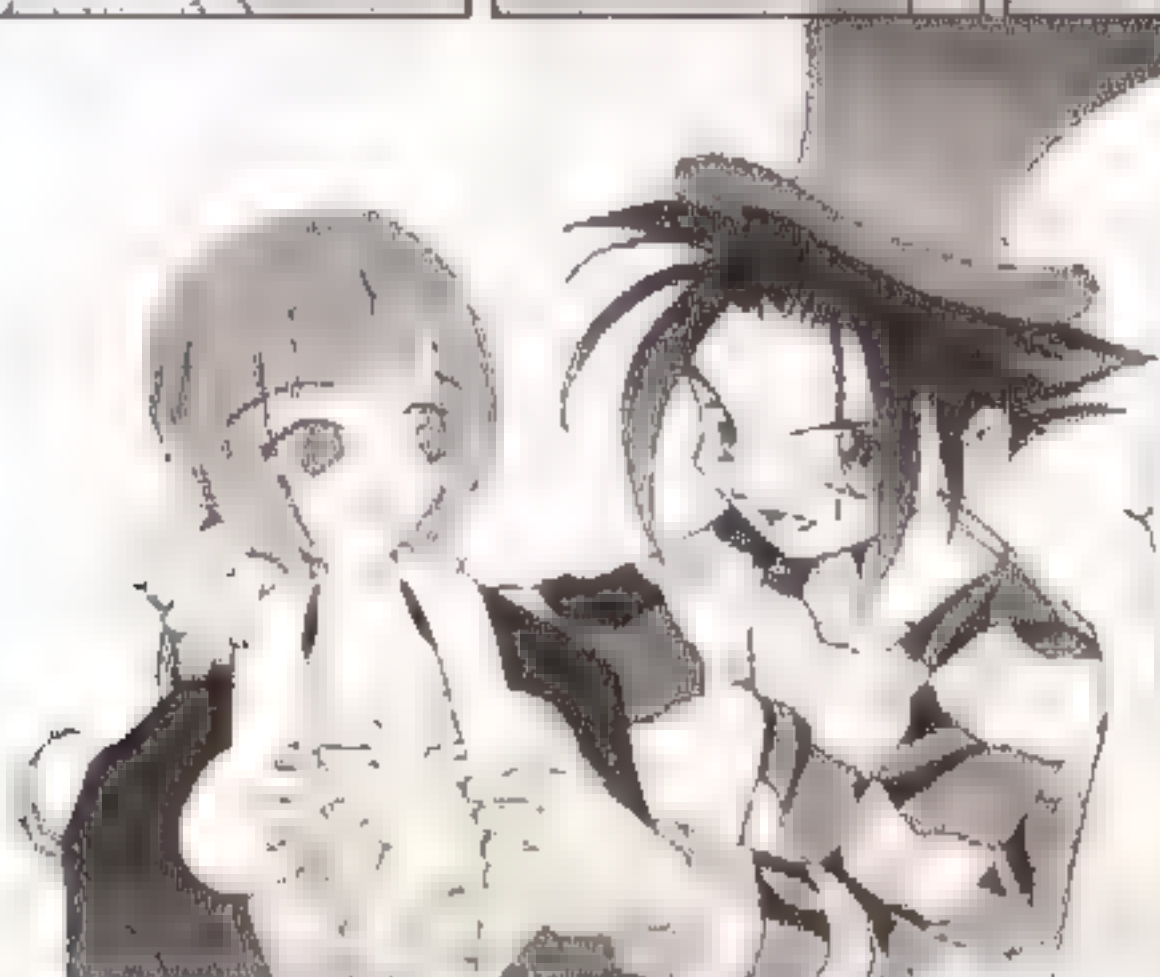


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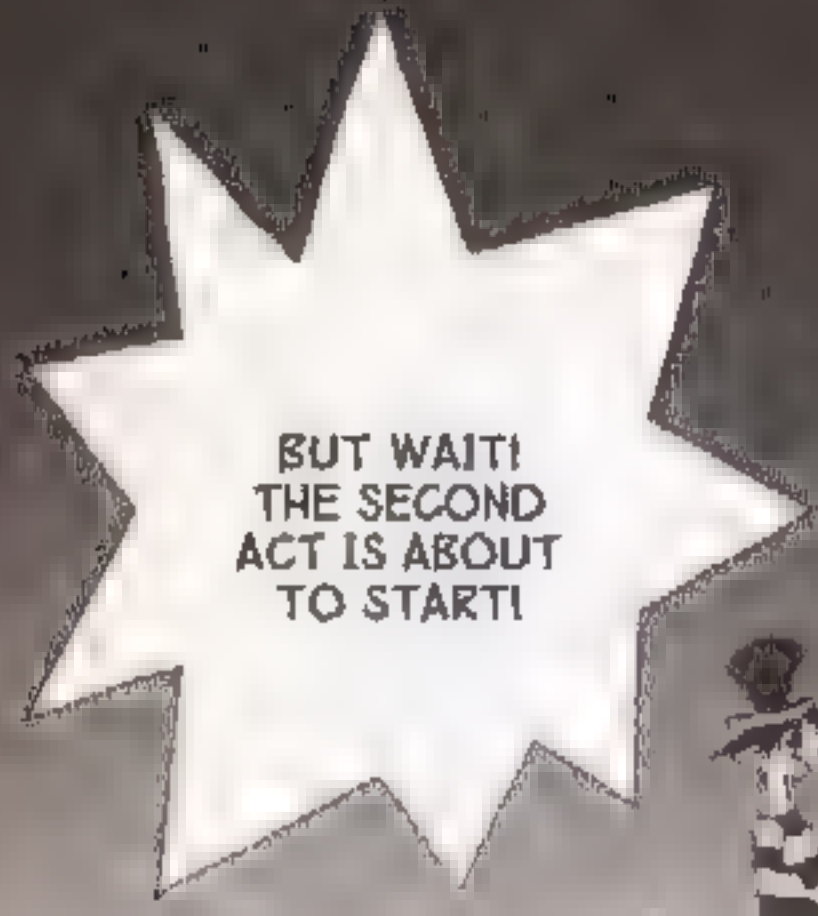




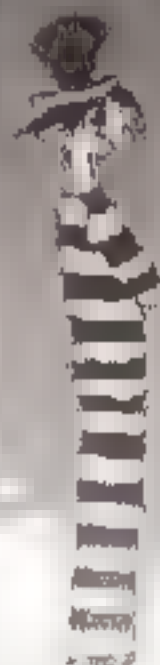
YOU
SEE?



FLOWERS
LIKE THIS
WON'T
BLOOM IN
DUCKWEED.



BUT WAIT!
THE SECOND
ACT IS ABOUT
TO START!



THESE DAYS IN A RING CALLOUS WORLD

ALL BETRAY YOU ALL ONE DAY

BUT THERE'S ONE THING TO KEEP IN MIND

SHOULD DISASTER COME YOUR WAY

WHEN LASH WITH LOVE AND TENDER CARE

BY MAN OR BEAST OR FISH OR CLAM

THE ONE DELIGHT TO ALWAYS PLEASE

RESILY MADE RASPBERRY JAM

CHILDREN SOWN FROM FERTILE SOIL

WITH YOUR ALGAE AN EYES SO BUILT

NO WONDER THAT THE SKY ABOVE

IS ALWAYS THERE WITHIN YOUR VIEW

TO STUMBLE WITH EYES LOOKING DOWN

IS JUST AN ORDINARY TRIP

BUT WHEN YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE STARS

IT'S SUCH A CRACKLE WONDROUS SLIP

FROM A NON-ANONYMOUS POET'S COLLECTIVE WORKS



JING: KING OF BANDITS

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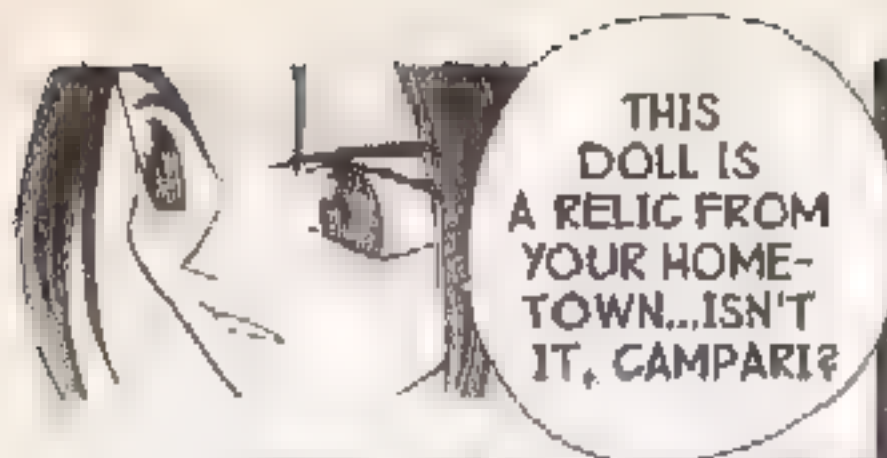


18TH SHOT - THE HOMETOWN'S WHEREABOUTS



WITH
THIS!!

KNOW THAT DOLL
WAS BY MEDICINE ?



THIS
DOLL IS
A RELIC FROM
YOUR HOME-
TOWN...ISN'T
IT, CAMPARI?

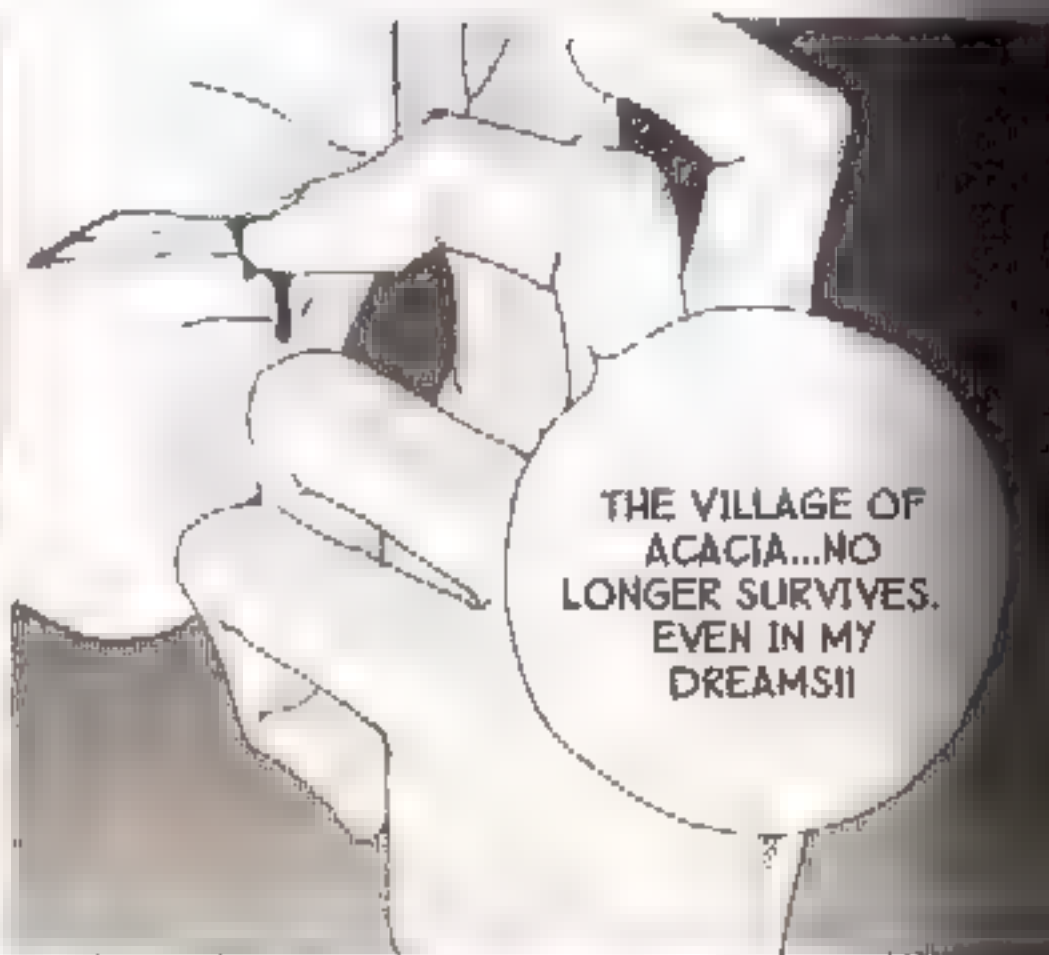


IN FACT, IT LOOKS
JUST LIKE A DOLL
THE ACACIANS
CREATED TO LOOK
LIKE A BRIDE THE
DAY BEFORE HER
WEDDING...

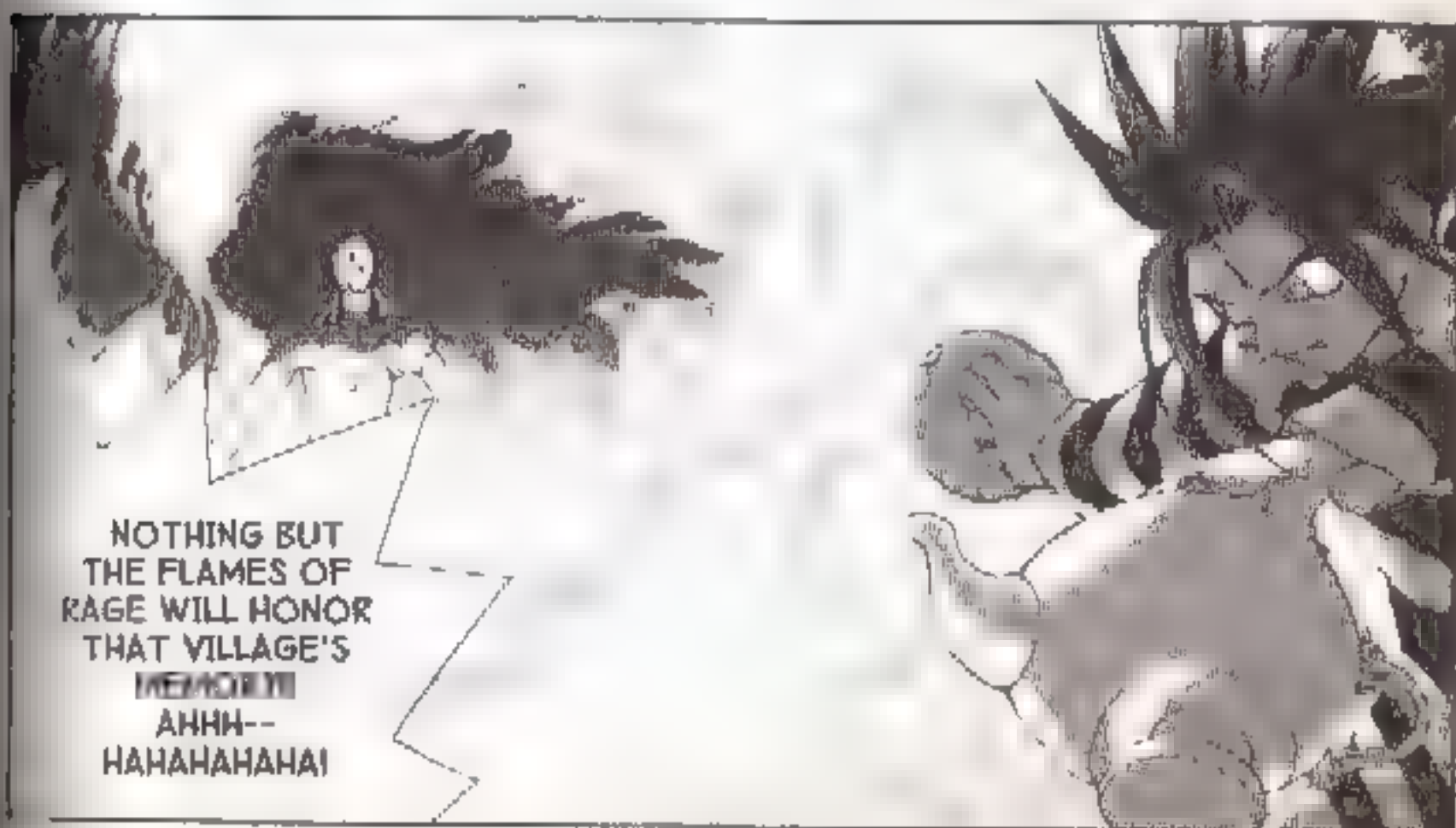


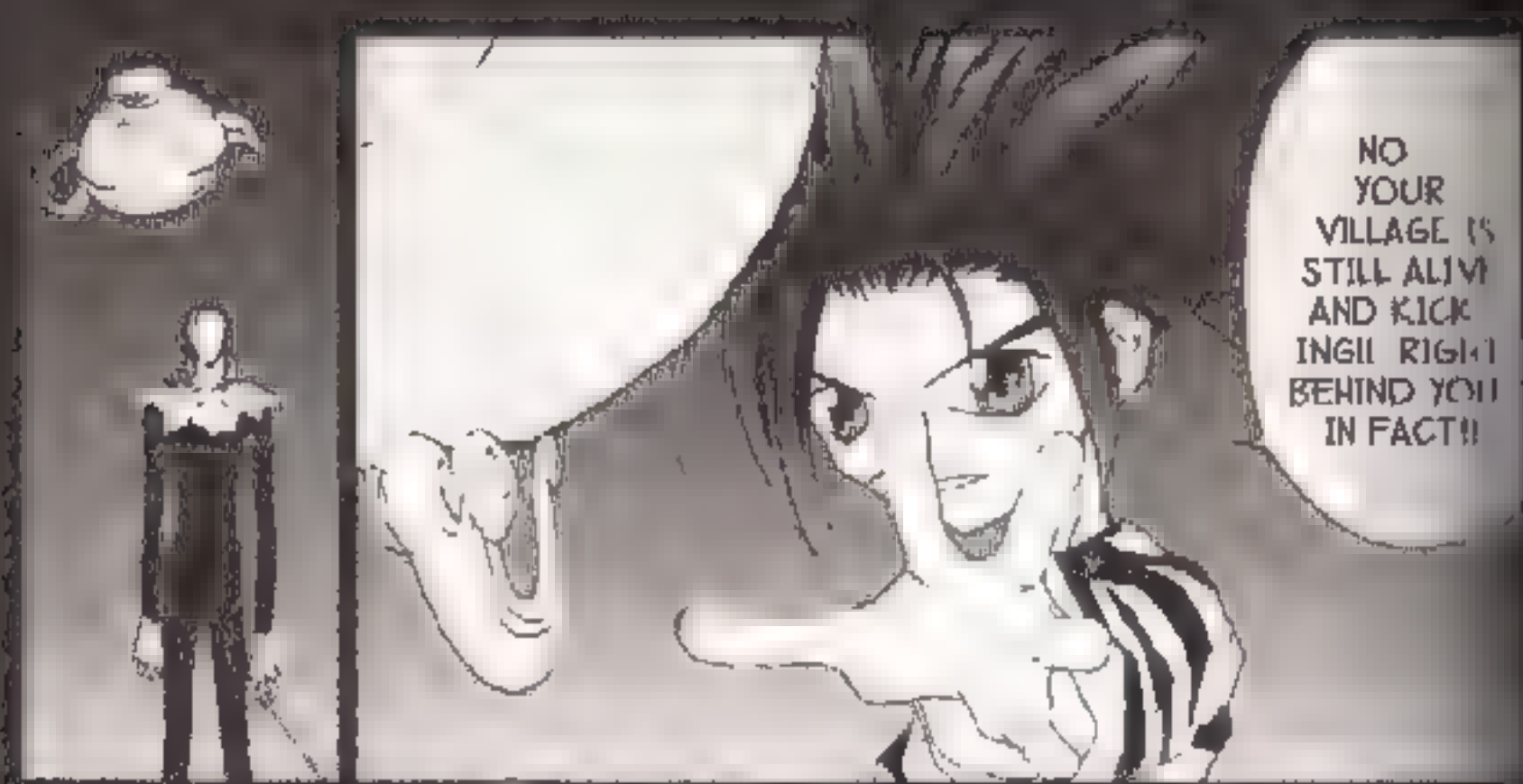
BUT EVEN
SO...WHAT'S
IT TO ME?

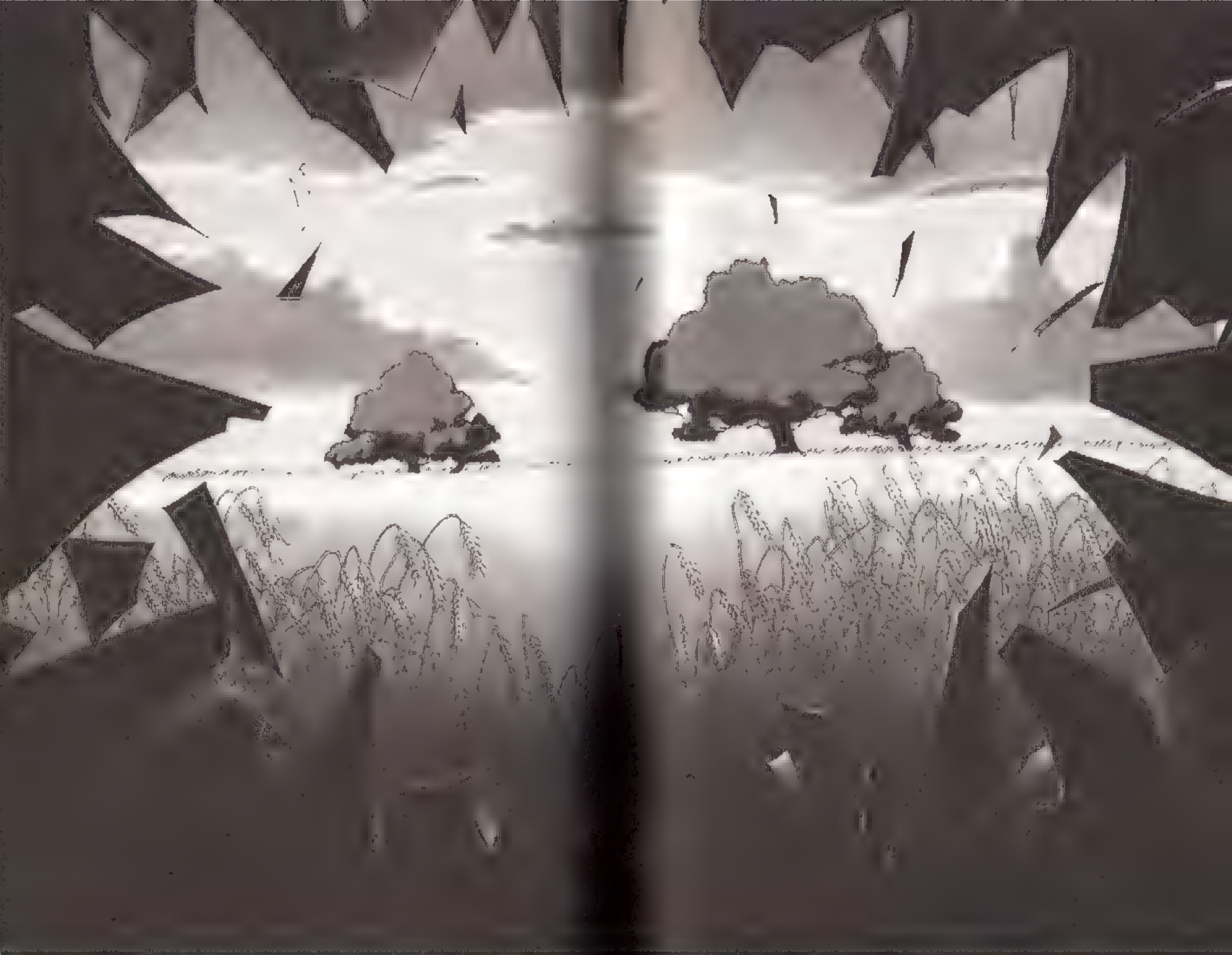
AH!
YES!! OF
COURSE!!

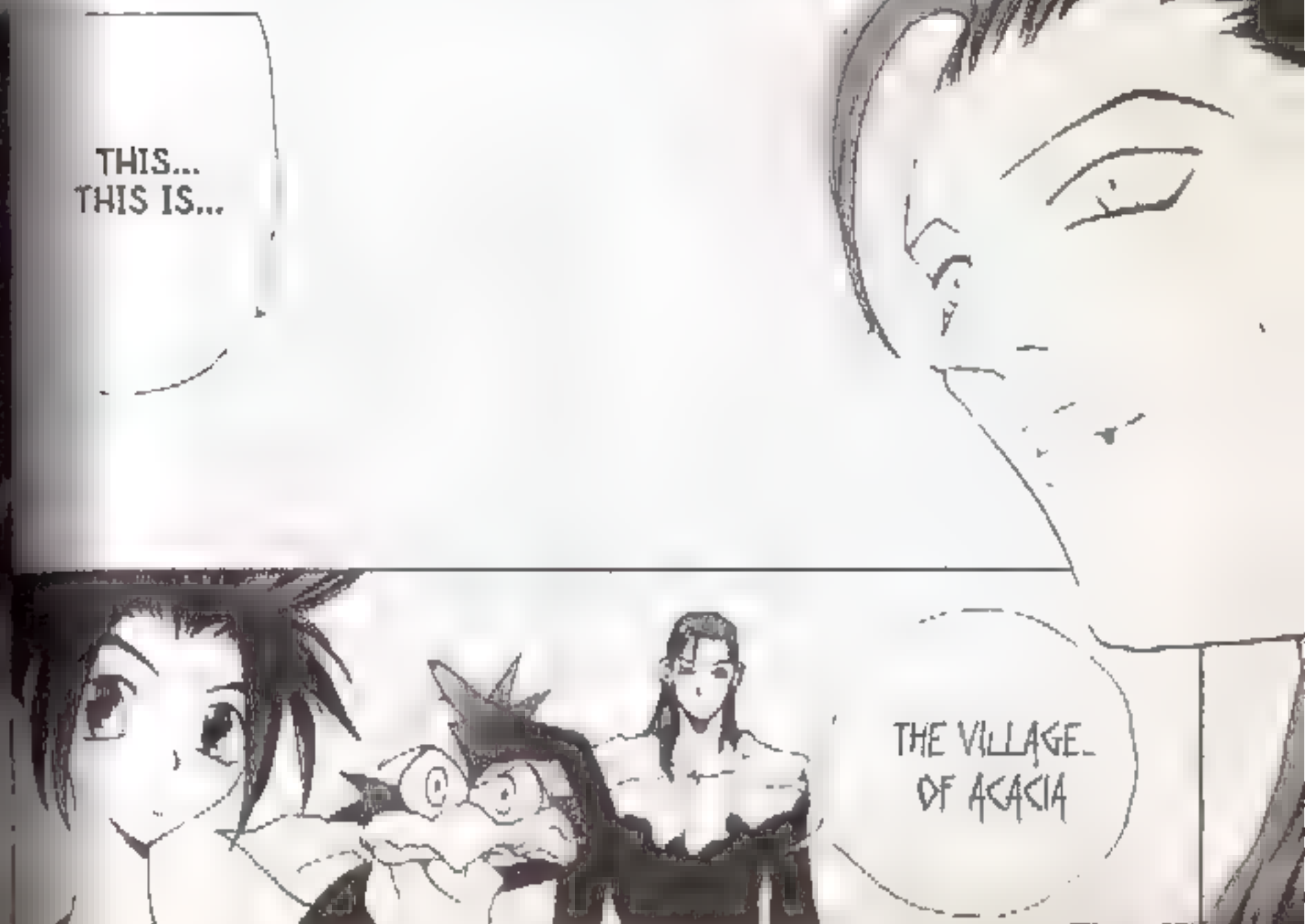


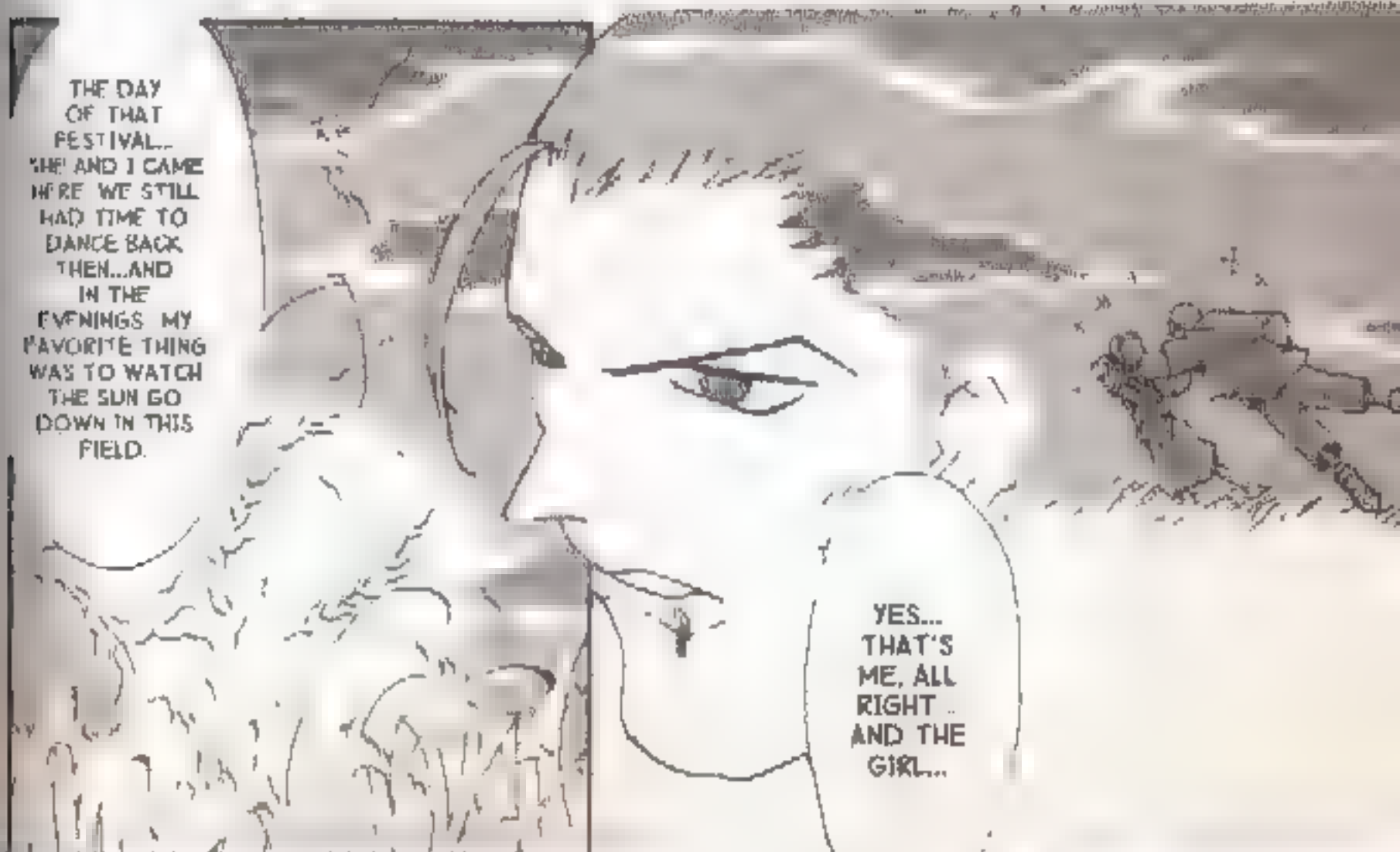
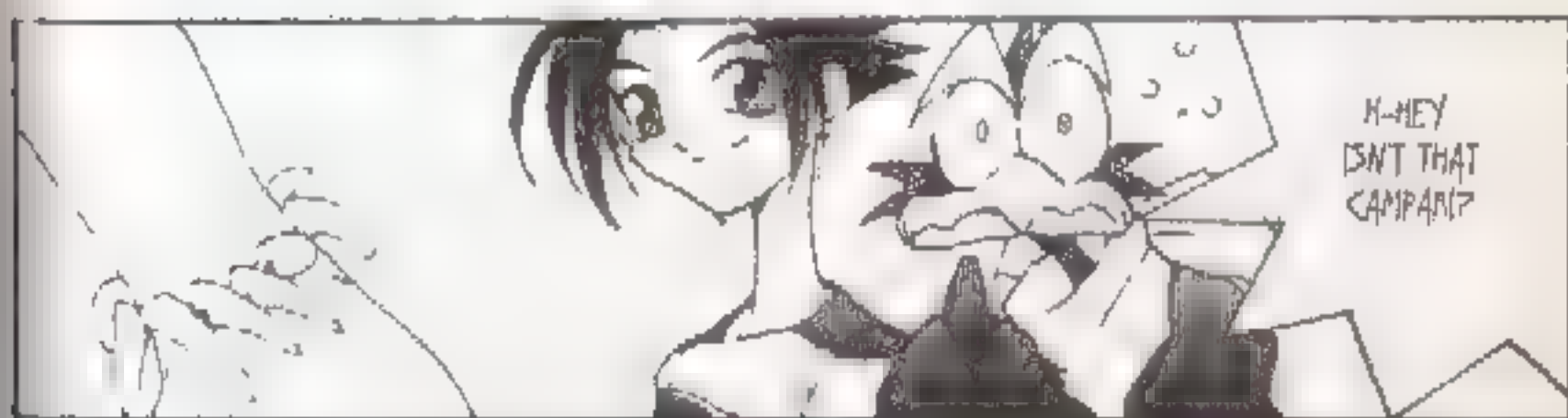
THE VILLAGE OF
ACACIA...NO
LONGER SURVIVES.
EVEN IN MY
DREAMS!!

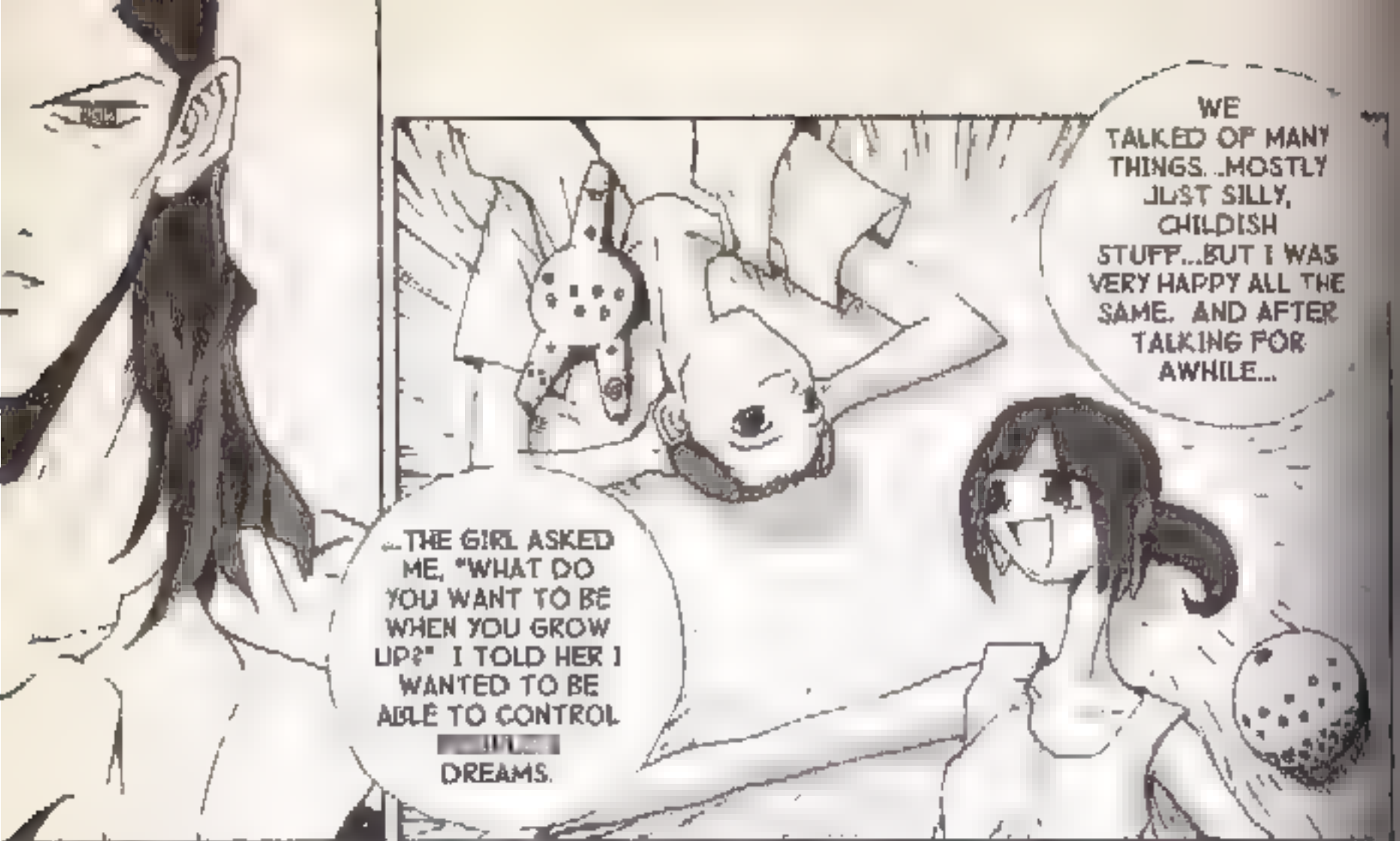










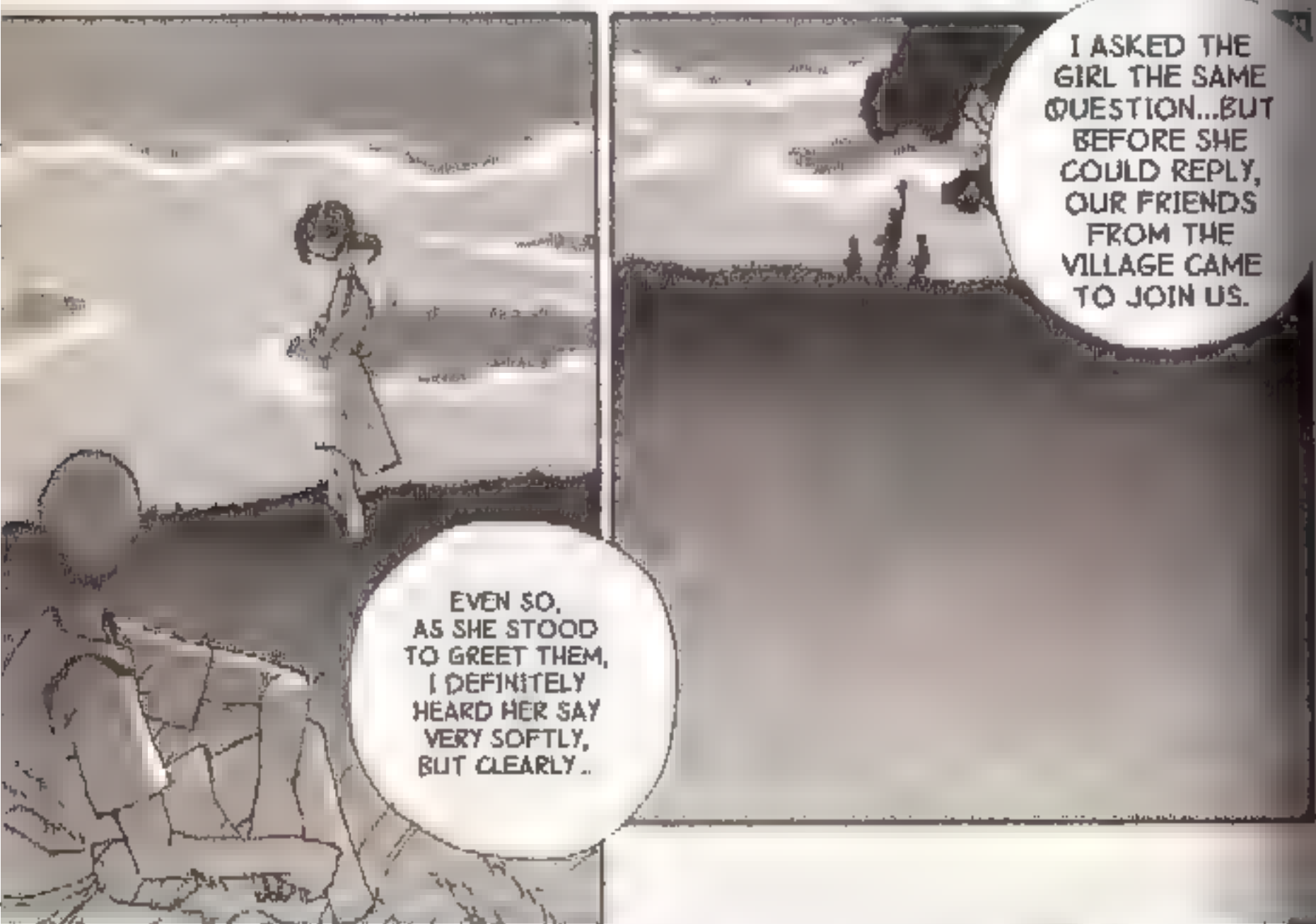


THE GIRL ASKED
ME, "WHAT DO
YOU WANT TO BE
WHEN YOU GROW
UP?" I TOLD HER I
WANTED TO BE
ABLE TO CONTROL
DREAMS.

WE
TALKED OF MANY
THINGS...MOSTLY
JUST SILLY,
CHILDISH
STUFF...BUT I WAS
VERY HAPPY ALL THE
SAME. AND AFTER
TALKING FOR
AWHILE...



AS YOU
KNOW...I
FULFILLED
THAT
AMBITION.

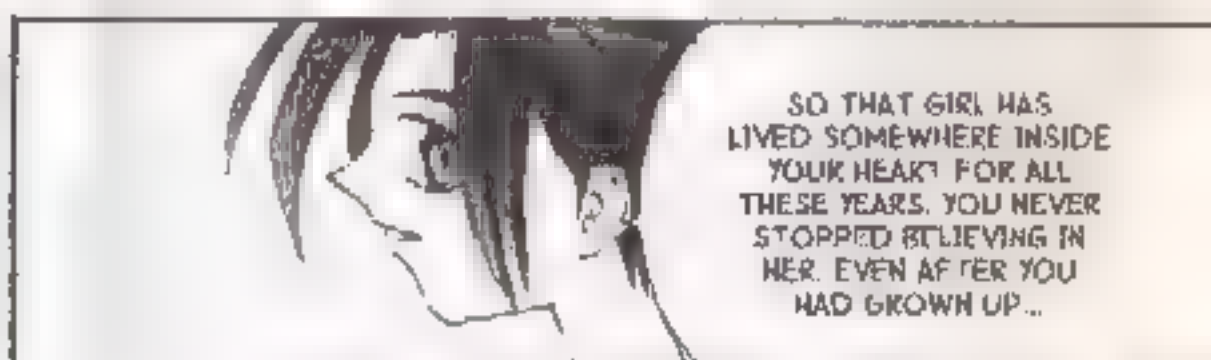


EVEN SO,
AS SHE STOOD
TO GREET THEM,
I DEFINITELY
HEARD HER SAY
VERY SOFTLY,
BUT CLEARLY..

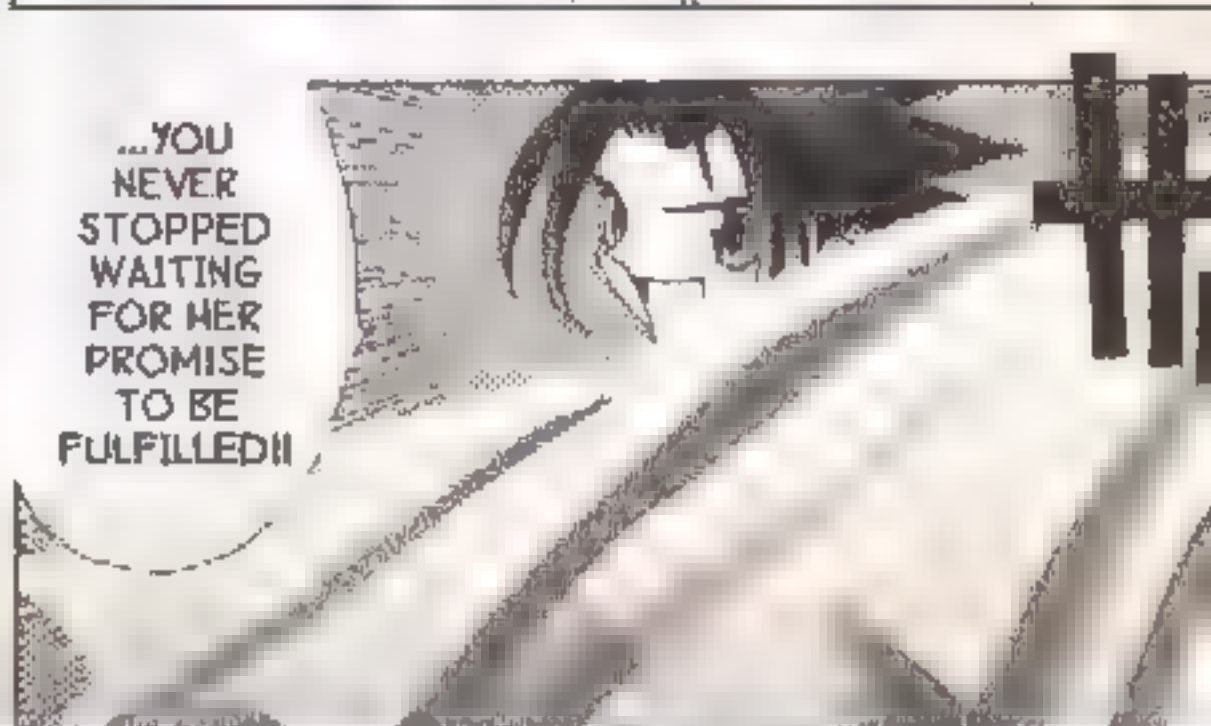
I ASKED THE
GIRL THE SAME
QUESTION...BUT
BEFORE SHE
COULD REPLY,
OUR FRIENDS
FROM THE
VILLAGE CAME
TO JOIN US.



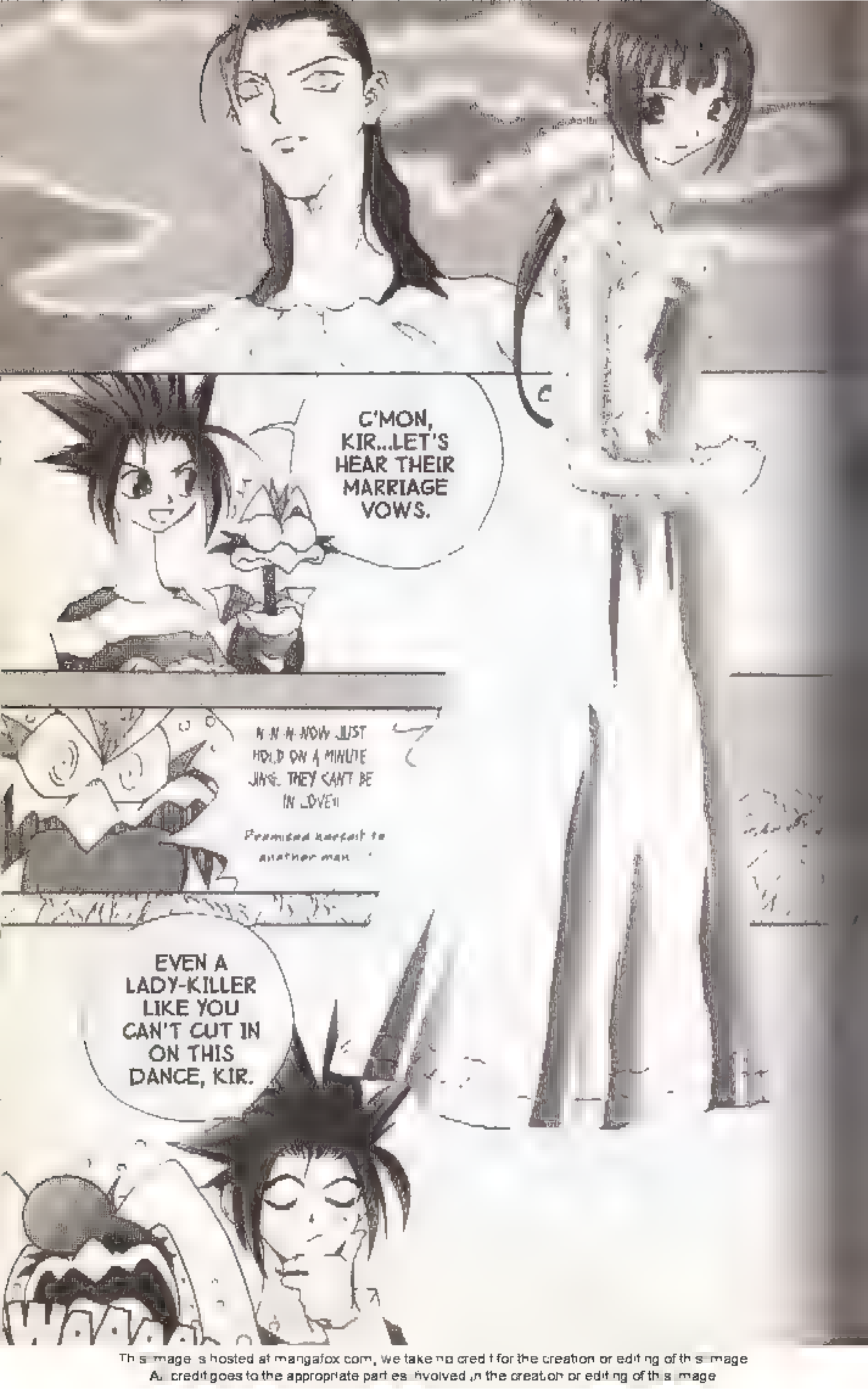
... "I WANT TO
BE CAMPARI'S
BRIDE."



SO THAT GIRL HAS
LIVED SOMEWHERE INSIDE
YOUR HEART FOR ALL
THESE YEARS. YOU NEVER
STOPPED BELIEVING IN
HER. EVEN AFTER YOU
HAD GROWN UP...



... YOU
NEVER
STOPPED
WAITING
FOR HER
PROMISE
TO BE
FULFILLED!!




C'MON,
KIR...LET'S
HEAR THEIR
MARRIAGE
VOWS.

H-H-H-NOW JUST
HOLD ON A MINUTE
JING. THEY CAN'T BE
IN LOVE!!

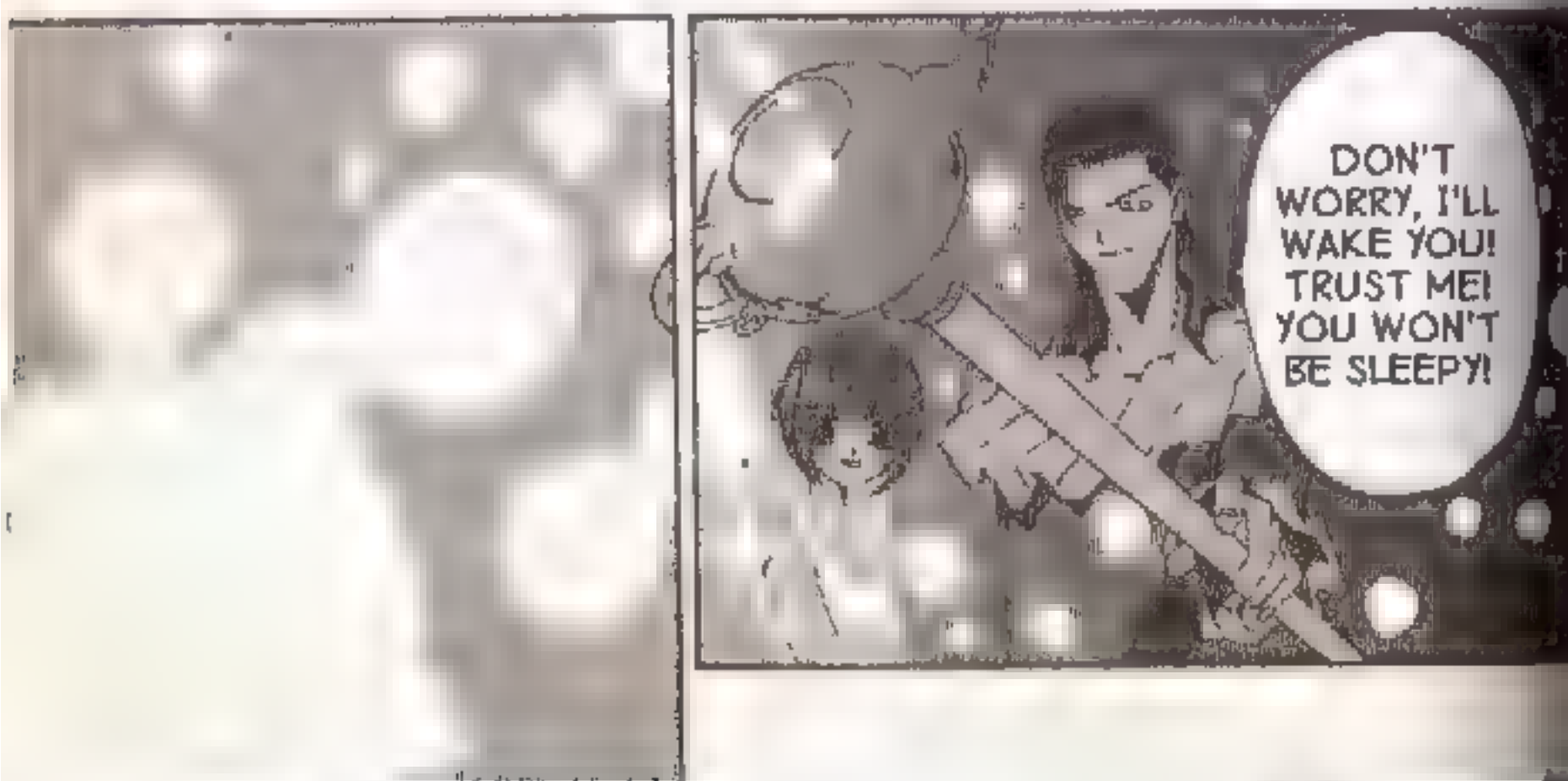
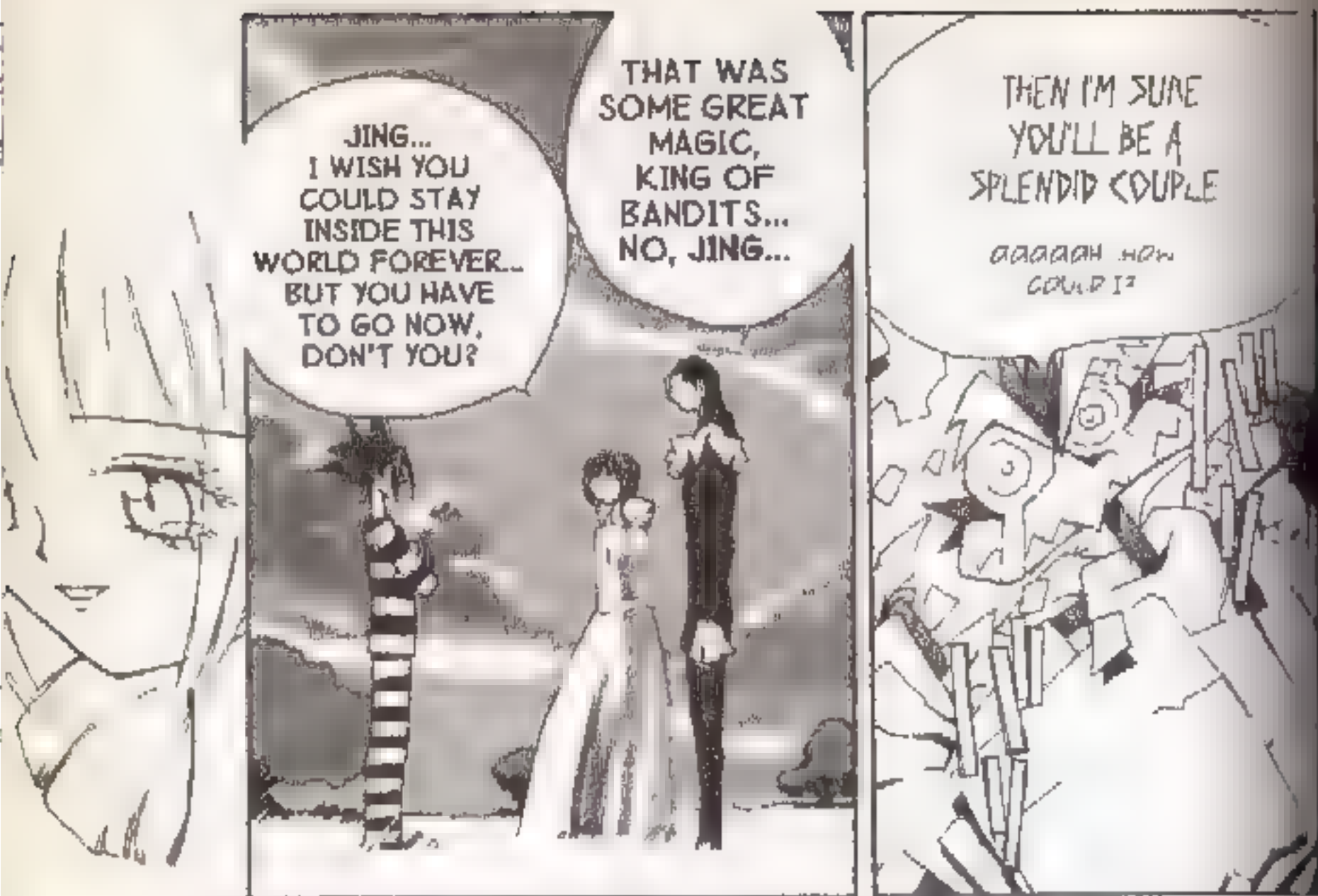
*Forbidden heart to
another man*

EVEN A
LADY-KILLER
LIKE YOU
CAN'T CUT IN
ON THIS
DANCE, KIR.



ALL NIGHT
SURE AS THE SUN RISES AND
THE SUN SETS DO YOU VOW
UNDER THE SHADE OF THAT
ETERNAL LIGHT TO LOVE
EACH OTHER ALL YOUR
NATURAL LIVES?

I DO.



I HEARD EVER
SINCE HE WAS
PUT IN SOLITARY
CONFINEMENT,
HE'S DONE
NOTHING BUT
SLEEP ALL DAY.

MEBBE
HE DIED IN
HIS SLEEP,
THEN...
HUH?!

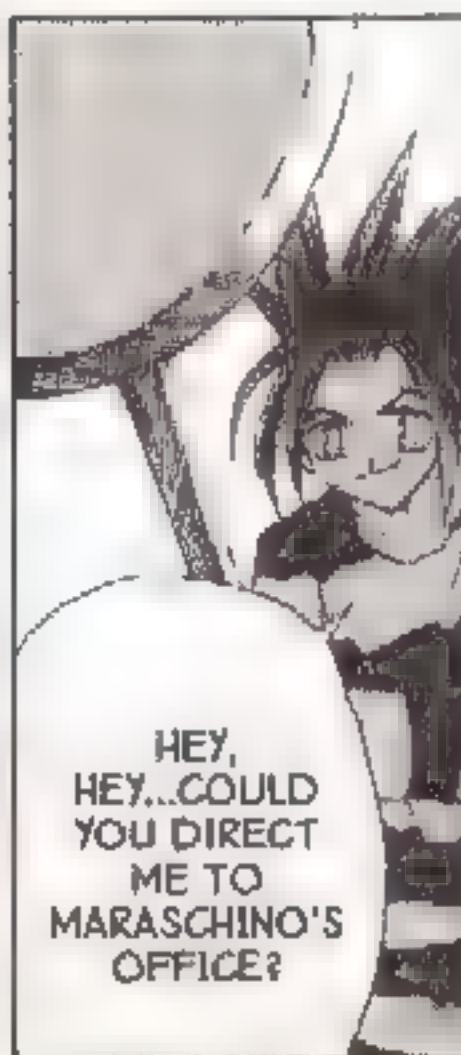
THAT SNEAKY
LITTLE BRAT
GOT AWFULLY
COOPERATIVE
ALL OF A
SUDDEN, DIDN'T
HE.. ?

W-WHAT
'APPENED?!

WAHH!!

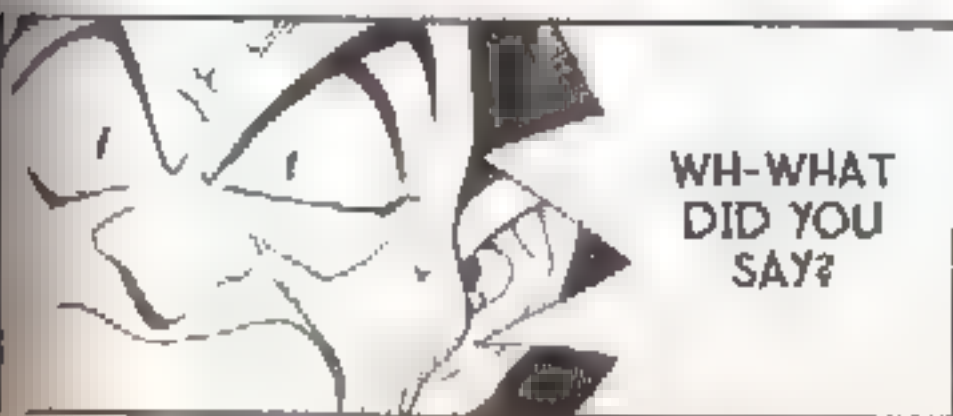
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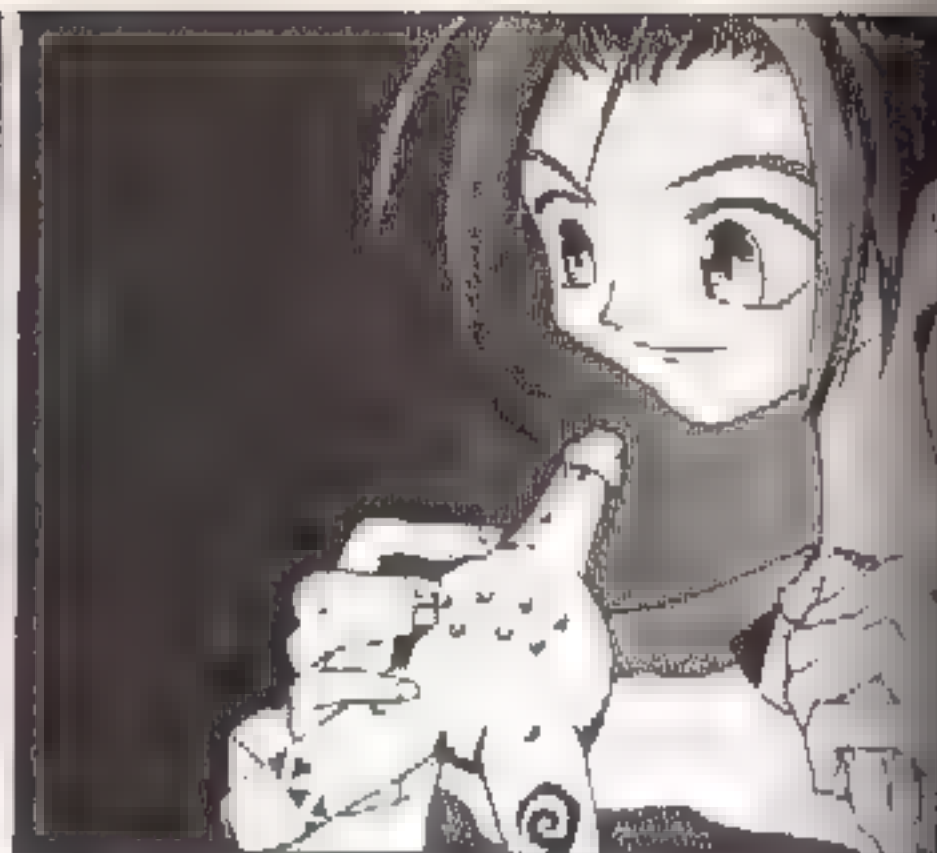
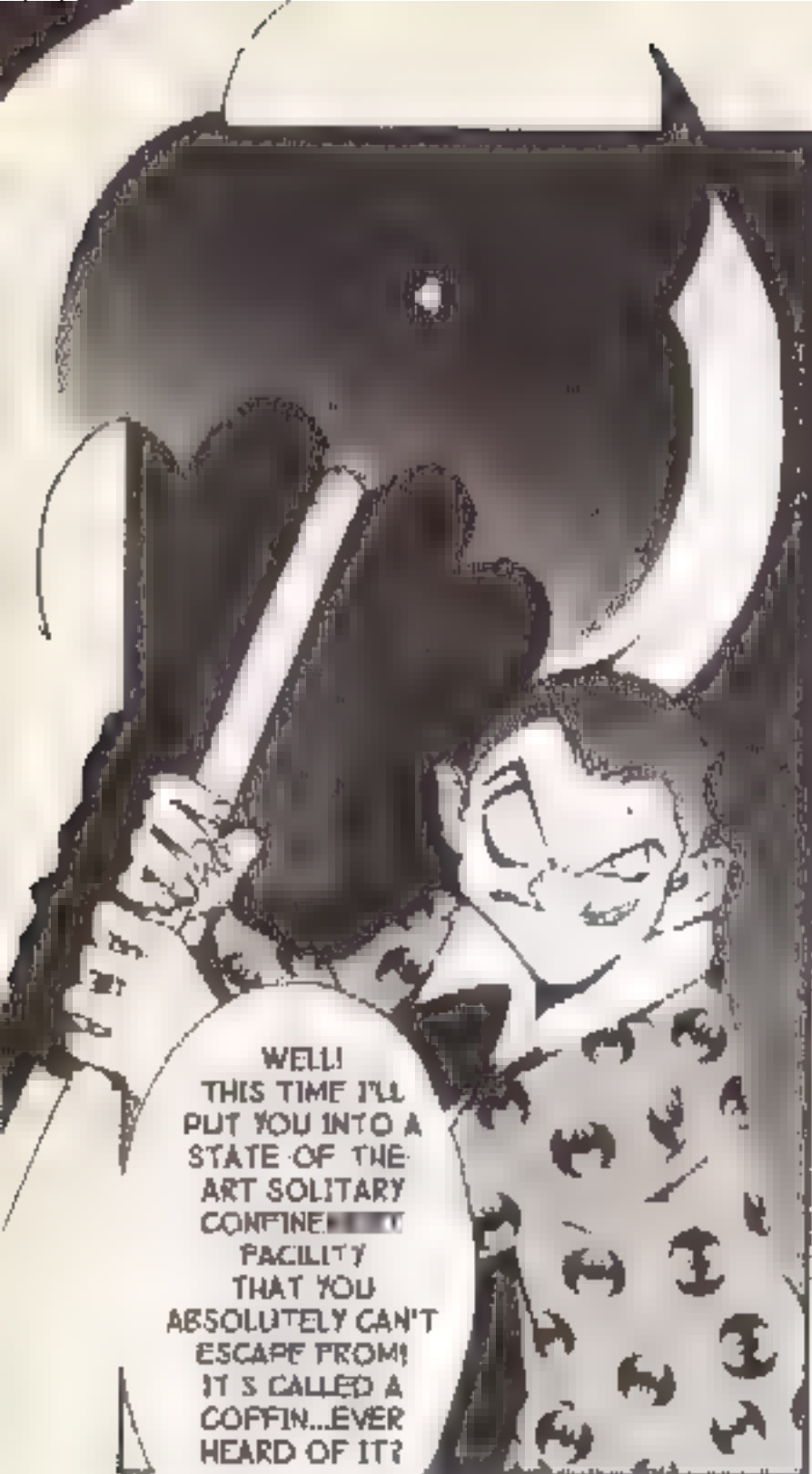
GIGAGAGA



maraschino

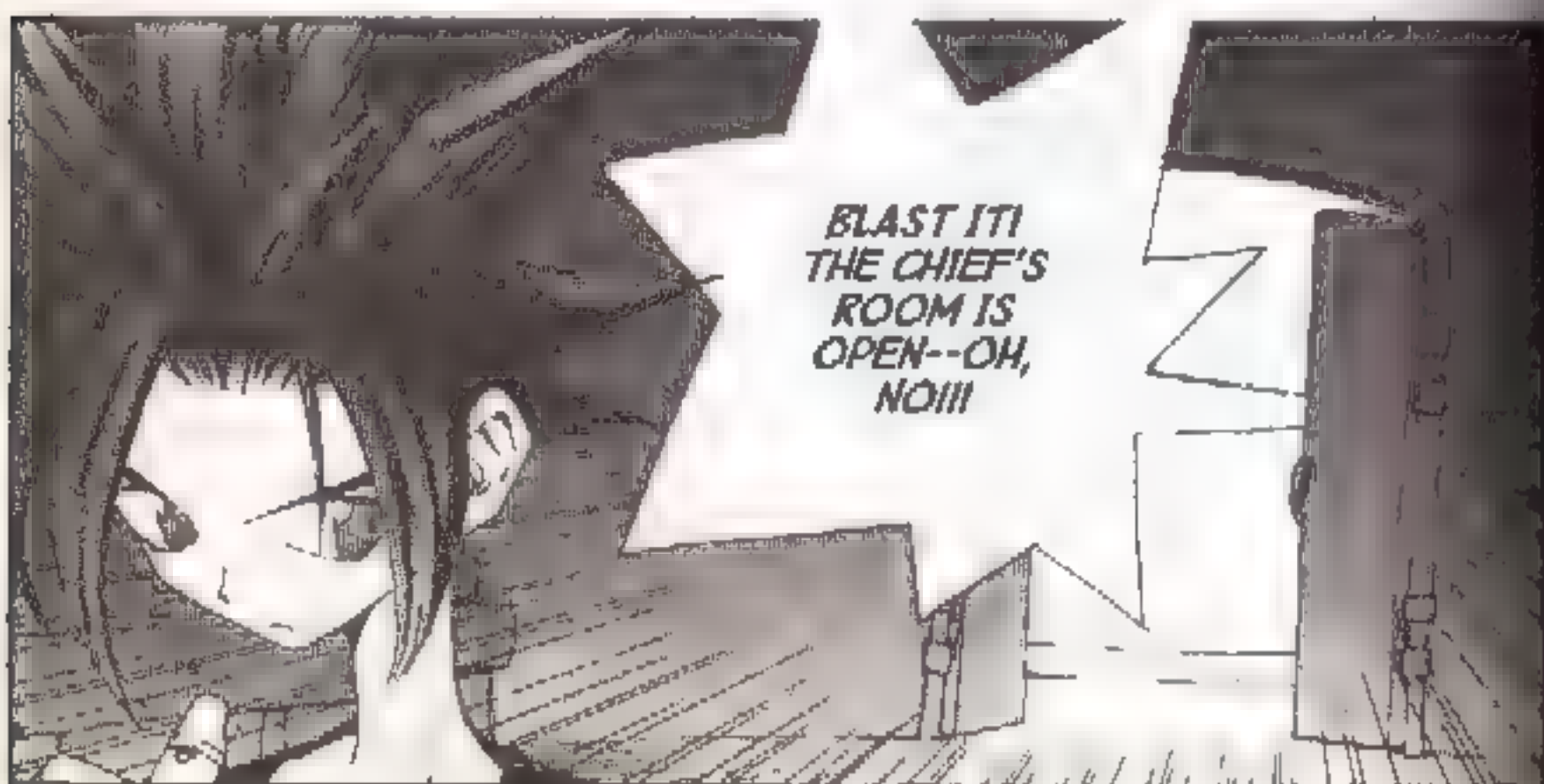
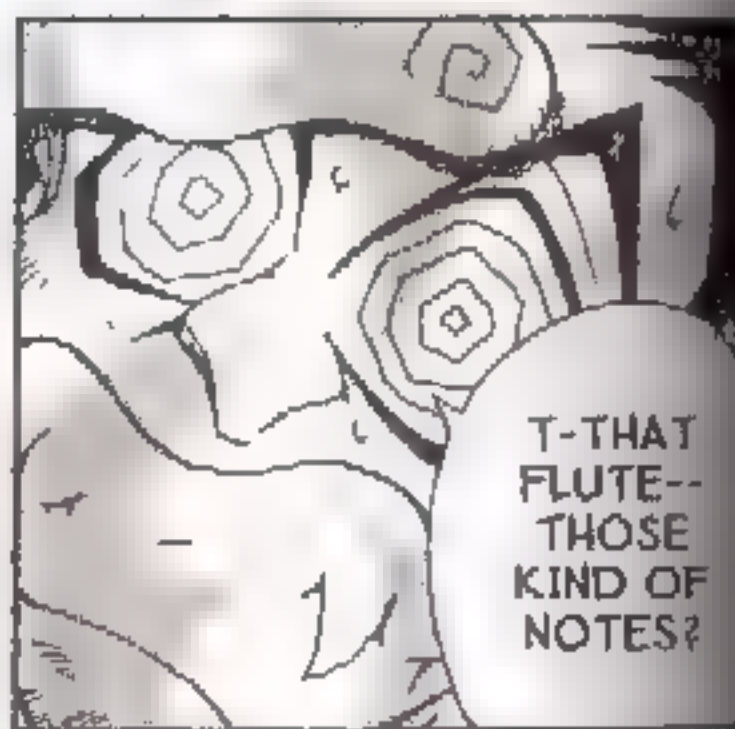
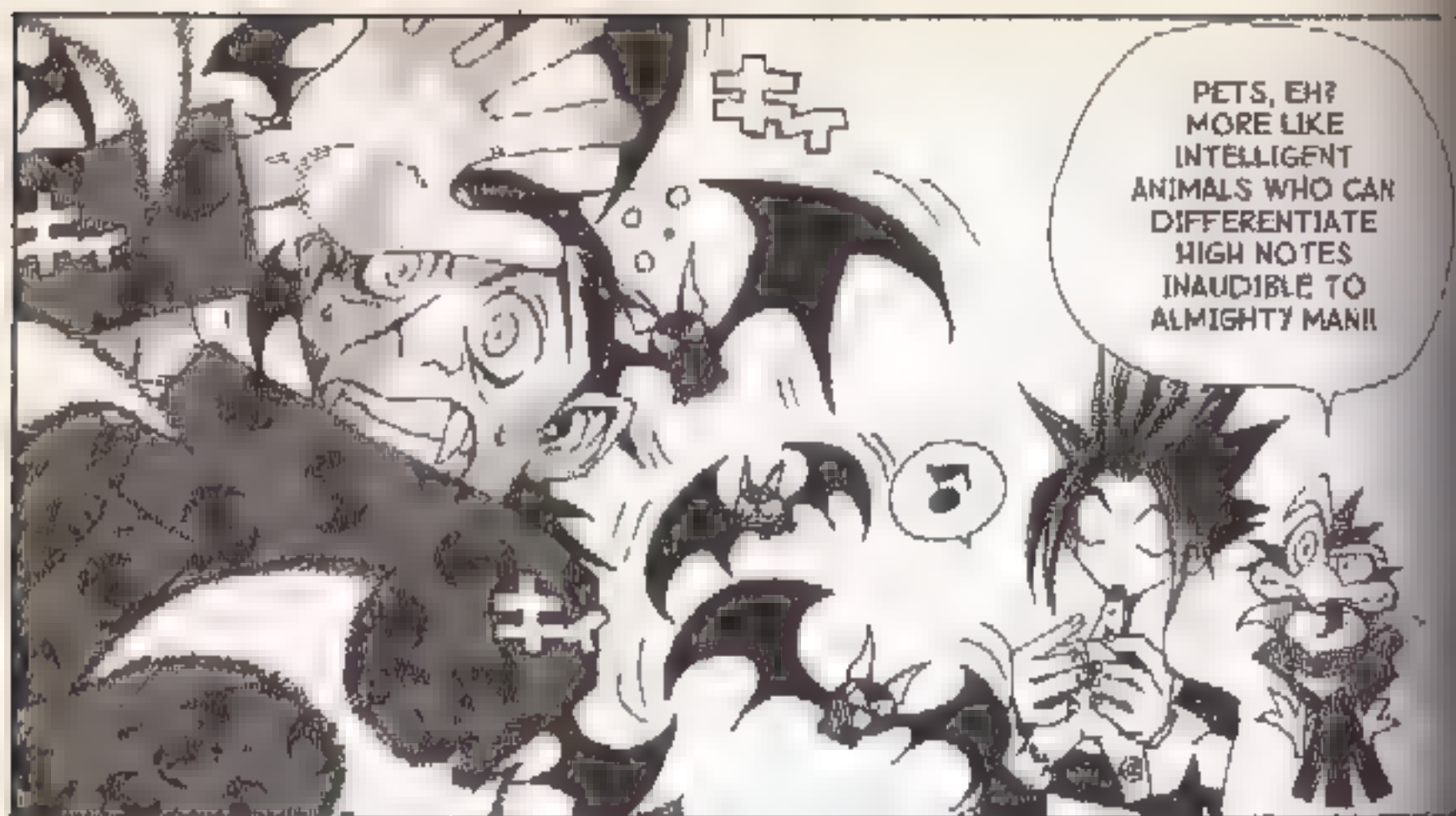
マラスキーノ

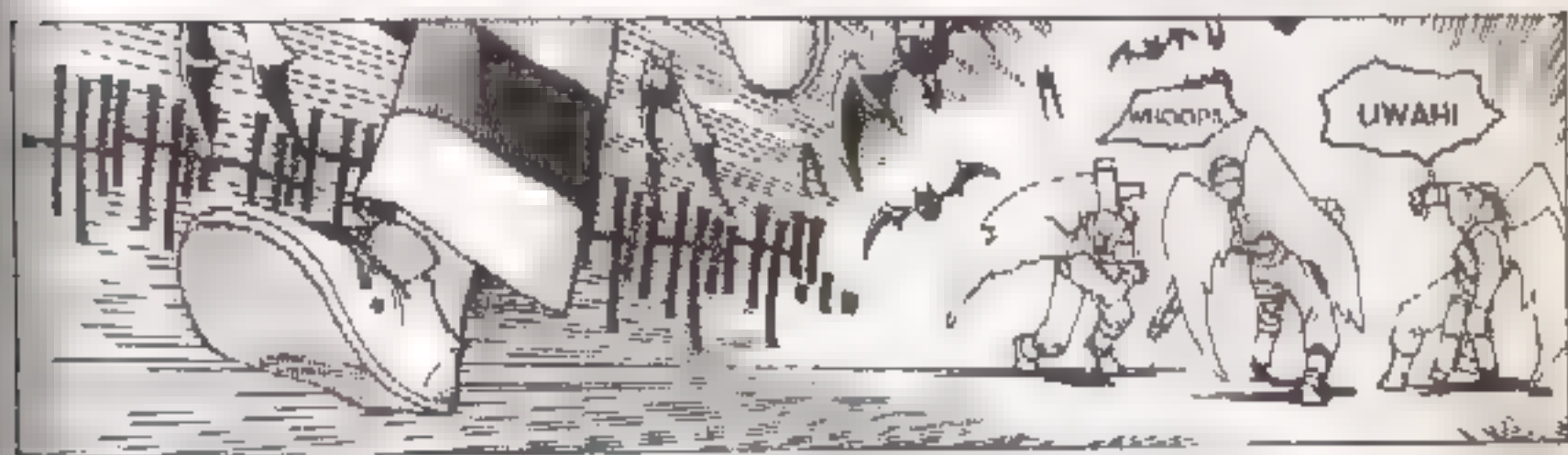
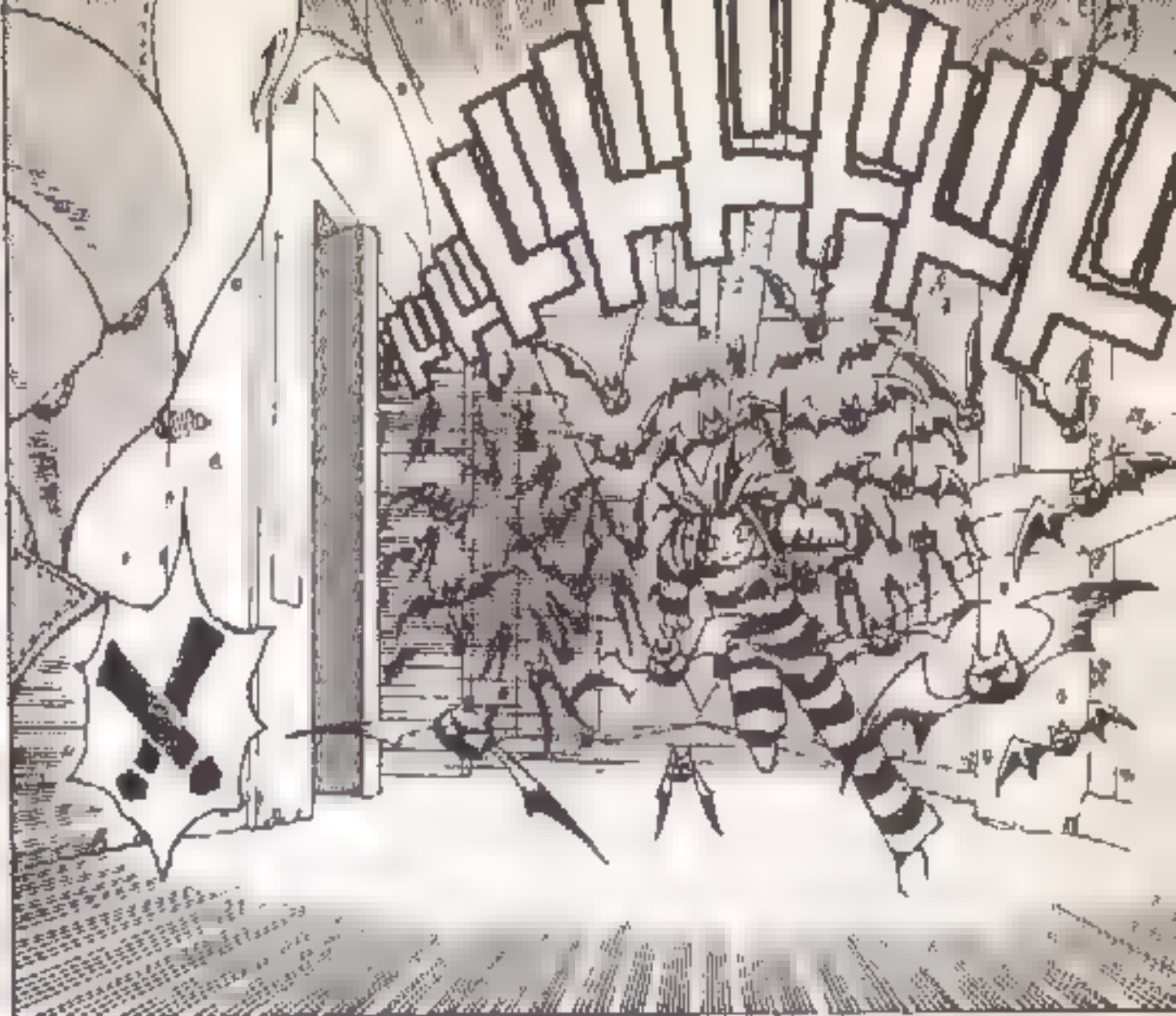




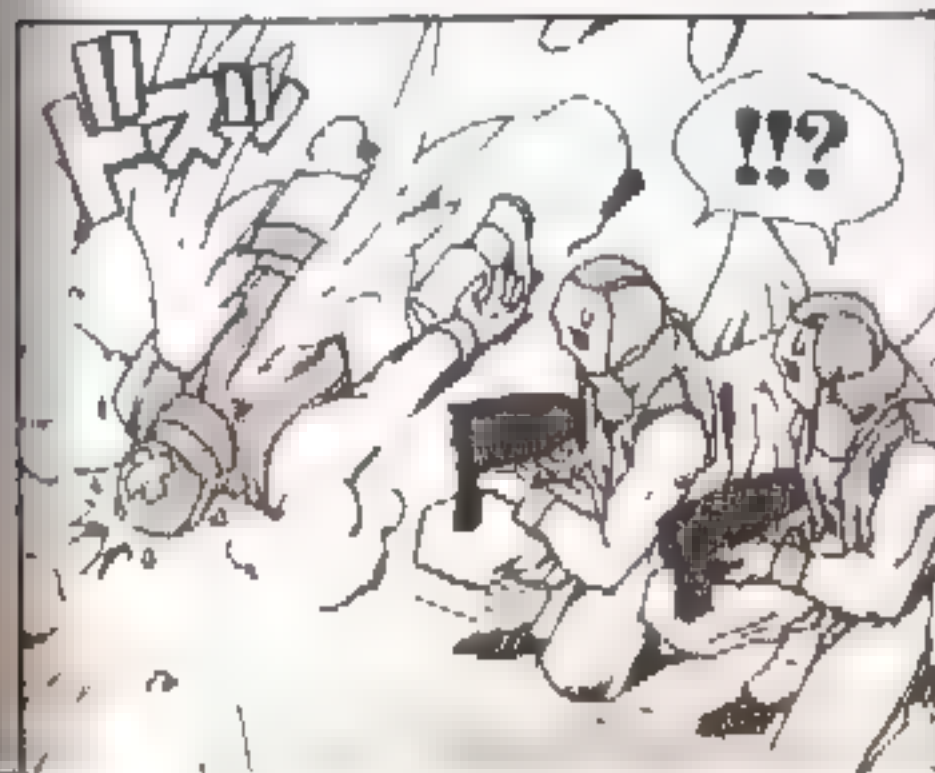


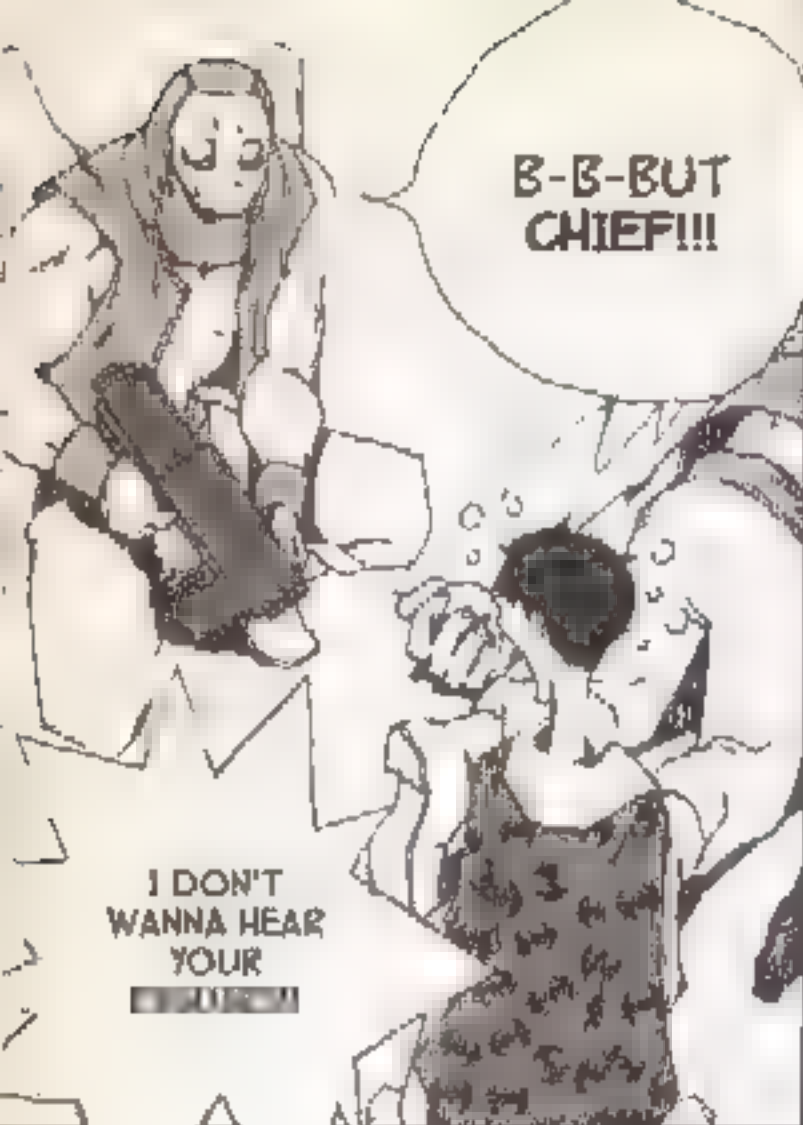
**W-WHAT'S
WRONG, MY
PETS?!?!?!?!?!?**





OOKAAAY.

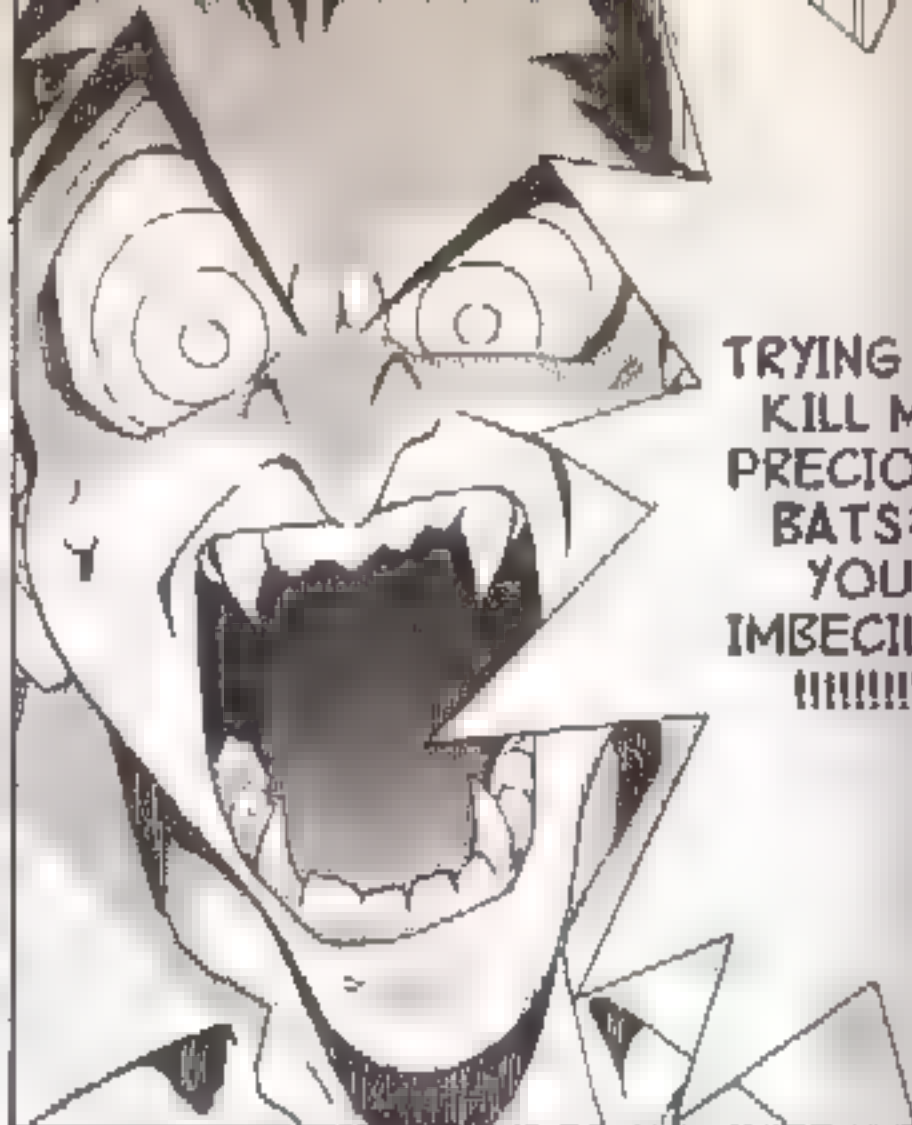




B-B-BUT
CHIEF!!!

I DON'T
WANNA HEAR
YOUR

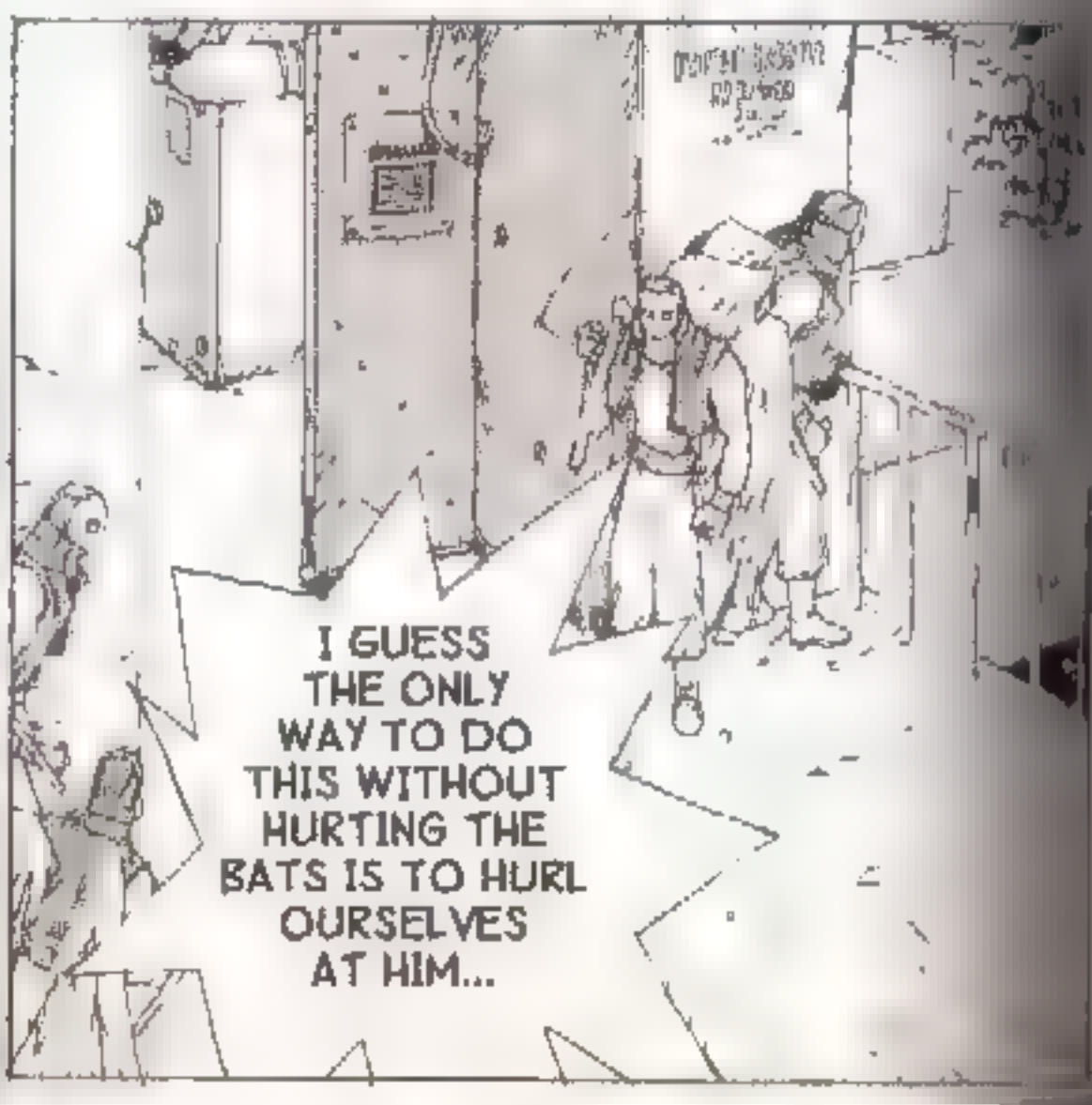
MURDER



TRYING TO
KILL MY
PRECIOUS
BATS?!
YOU
IMBECILES
!!!!!!!

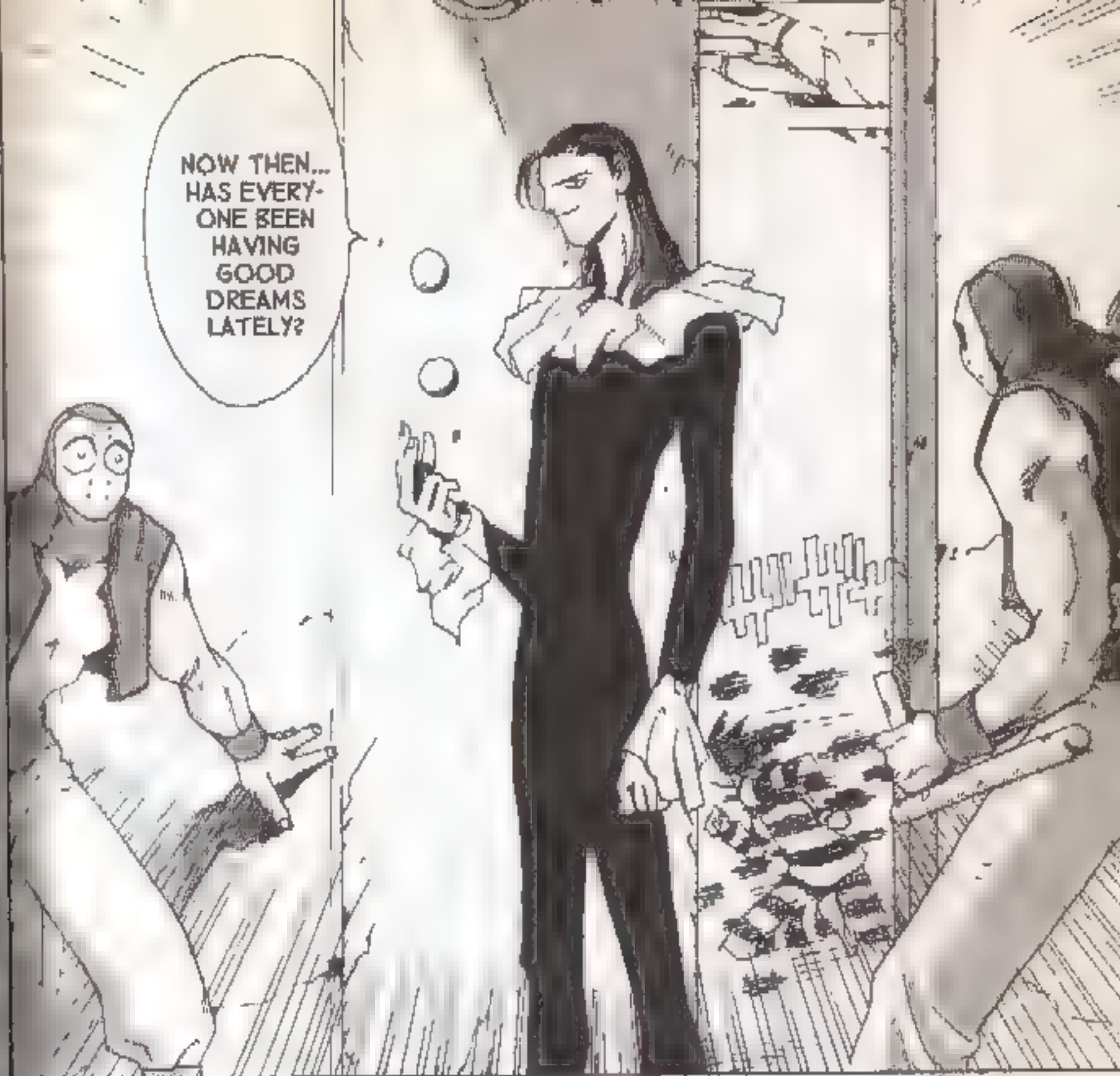


QUICK!
THERE HE
GOES!!

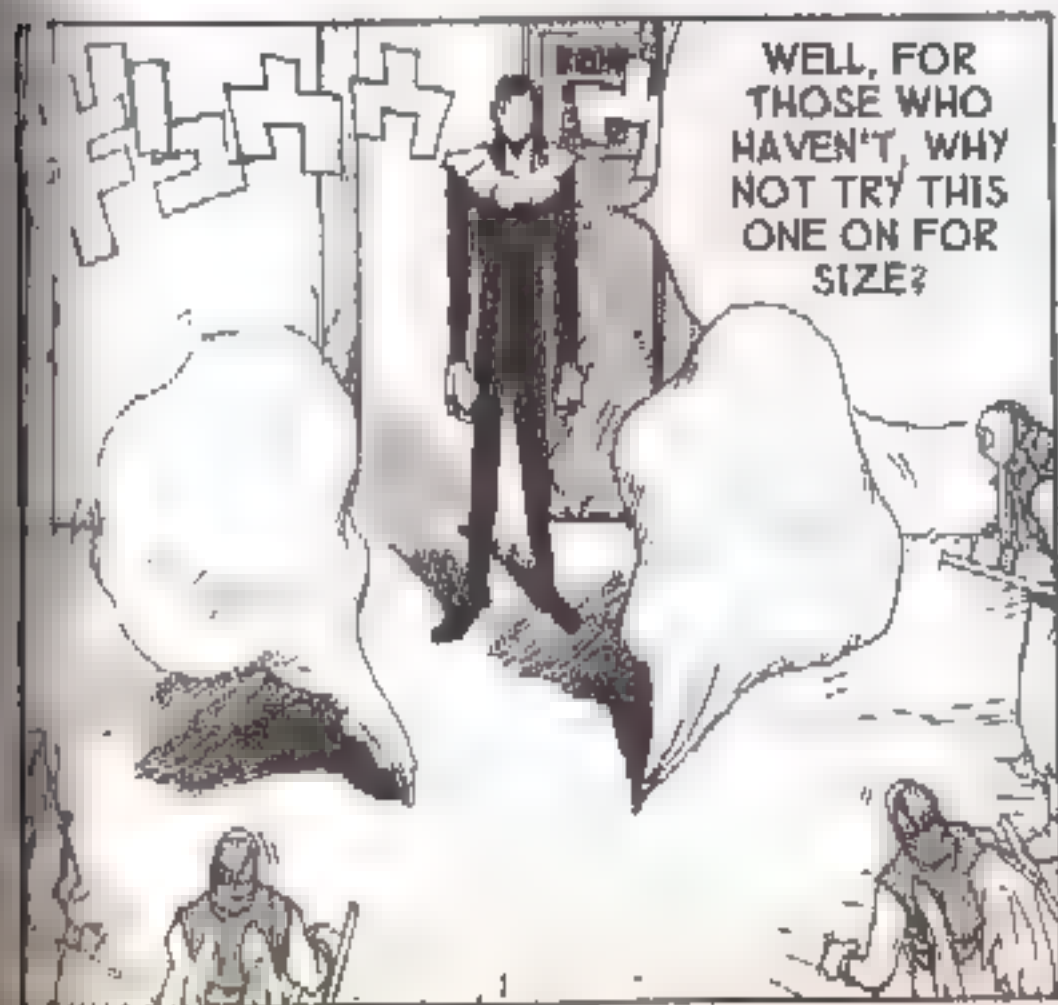


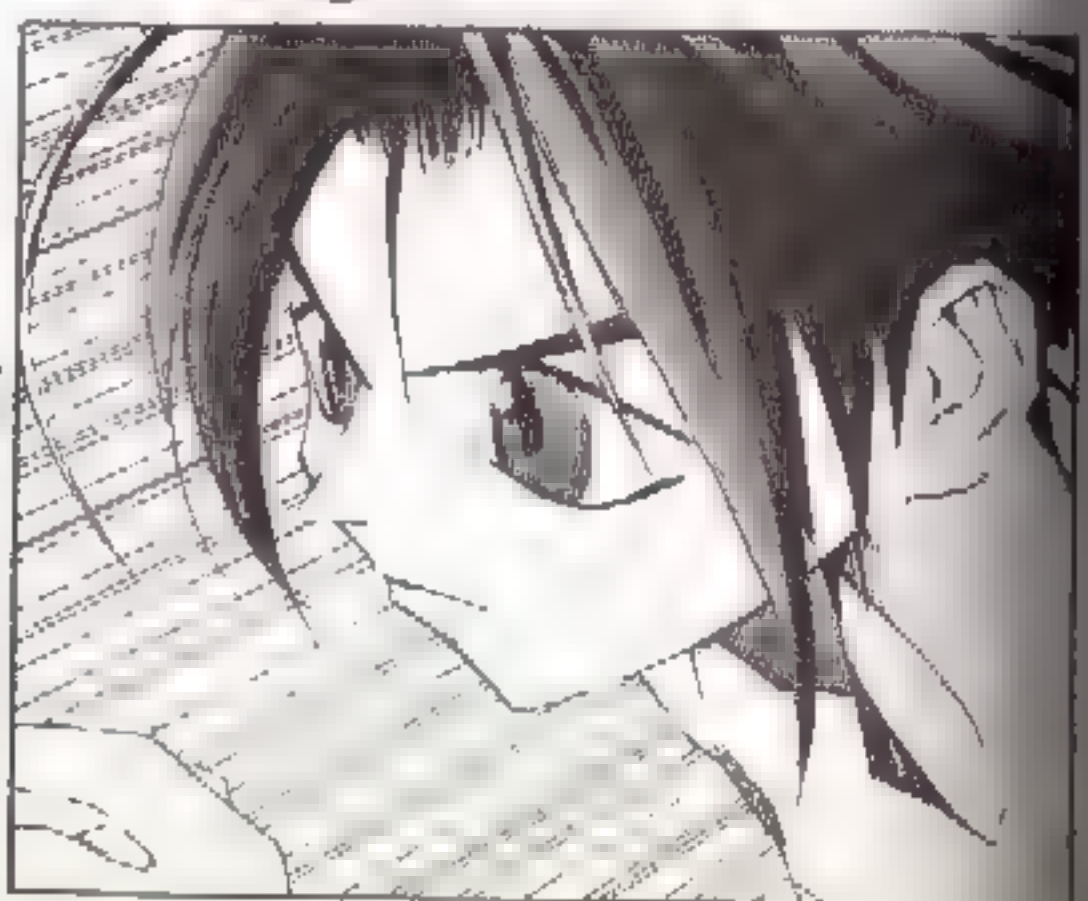
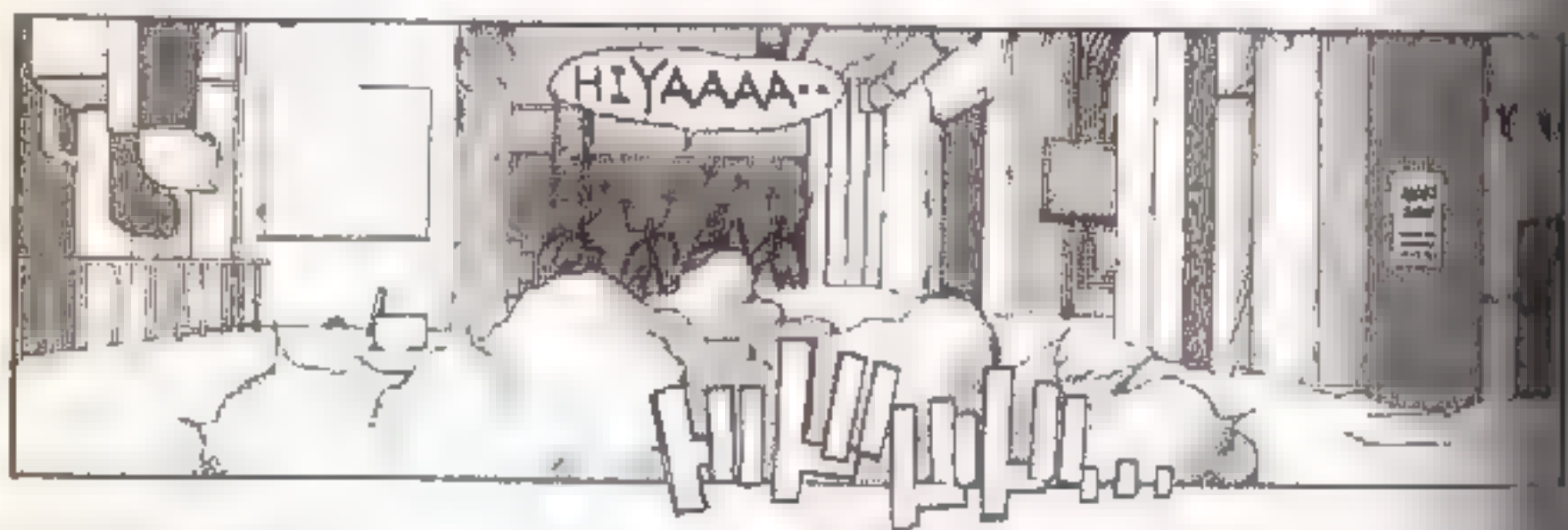
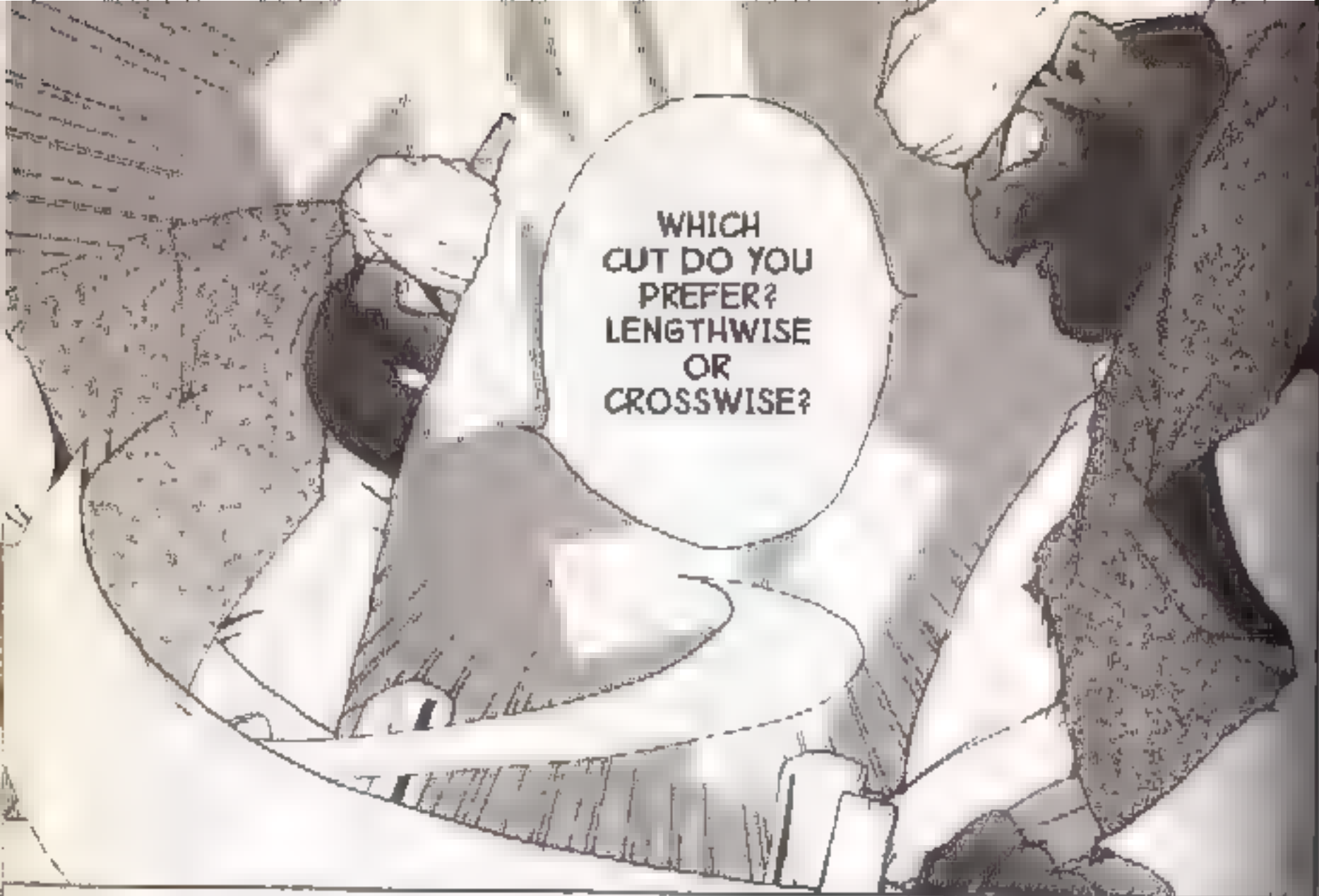
I GUESS
THE ONLY
WAY TO DO
THIS WITHOUT
HURTING THE
BATS IS TO HURL
OURSELVES
AT HIM...

NOW THEN...
HAS EVERY-
ONE BEEN
HAVING
GOOD
DREAMS
LATELY?

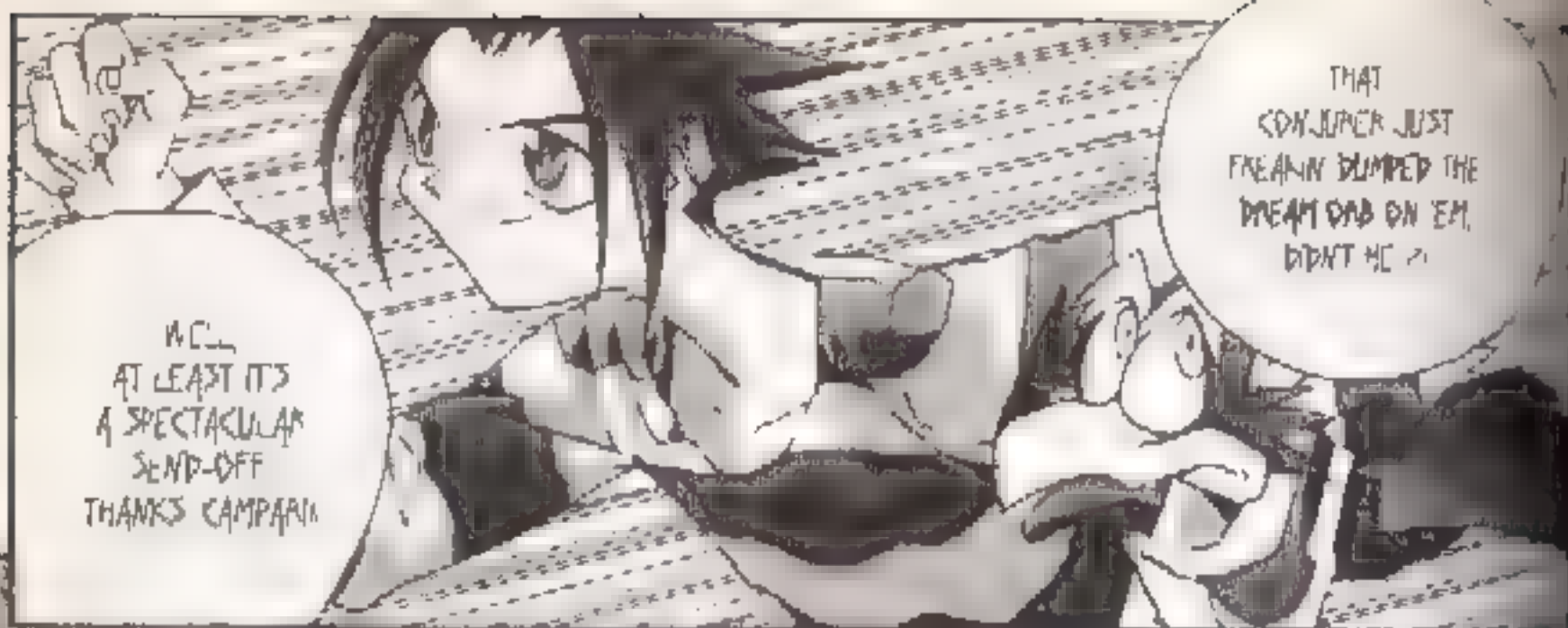


WELL, FOR
THOSE WHO
HAVEN'T, WHY
NOT TRY THIS
ONE ON FOR
SIZE?









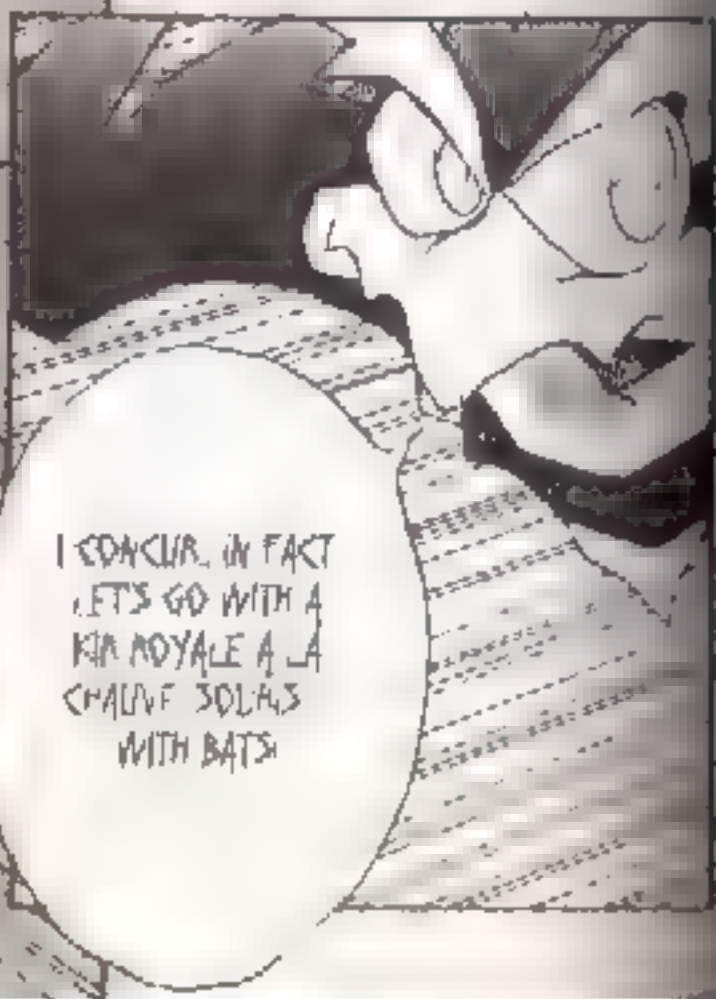
WELL
AT LEAST IT'S
A SPECTACULAR
SEND-OFF
THANKS CAMPARI

THAT
CONJURER JUST
FREAKIN' DUMPED THE
DREAM DAB ON 'EM.
DIDNT HE ?

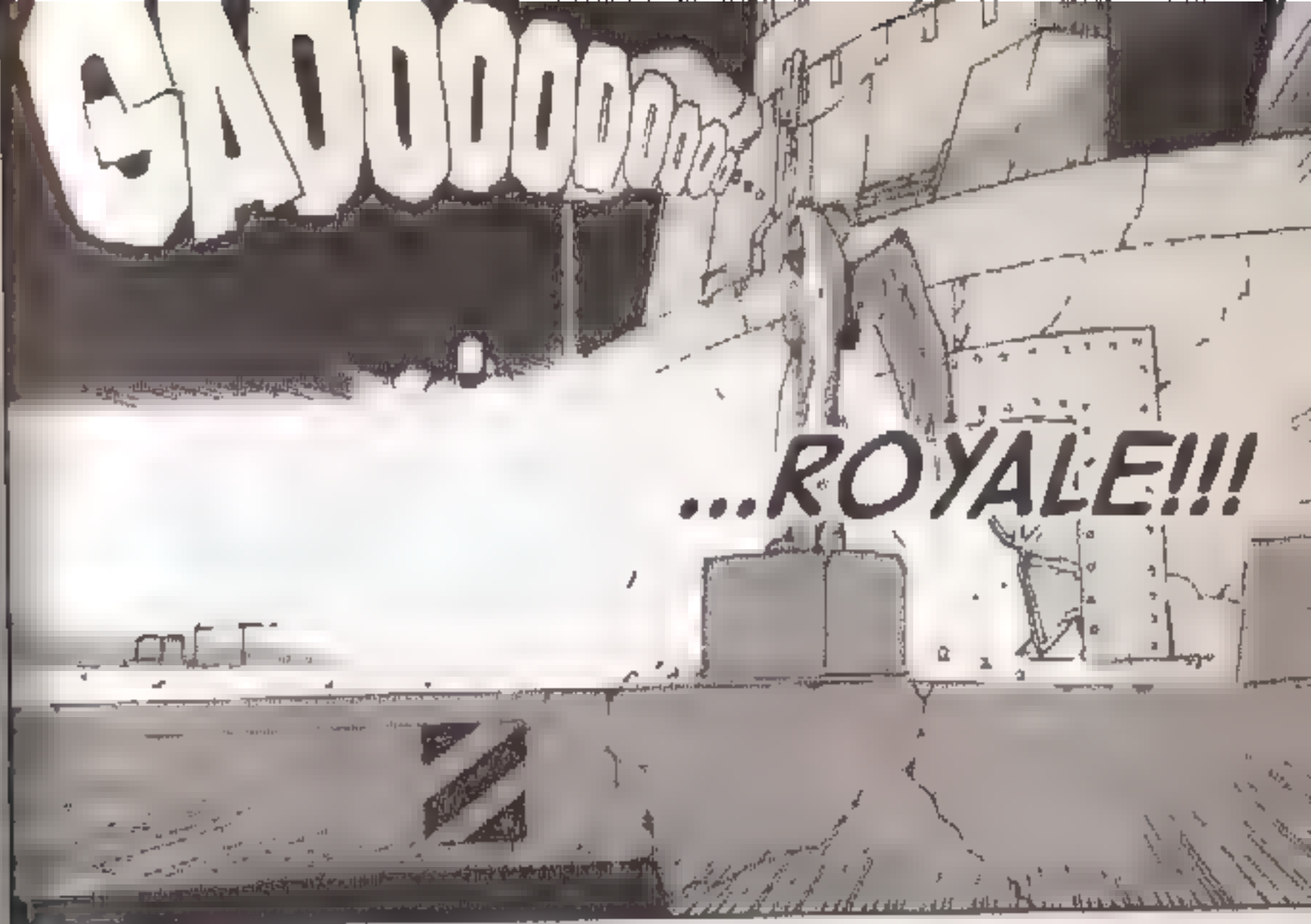
KIIIIIR...



NOW,
THEN...IT'S
JUST THE
MAIN GATE
AFTER THIS.
LET'S GO TO
IT, KIR!!



I CONCUR. IN FACT
LET'S GO WITH A
KIA ROYALE A LA
CHAUVÉ SOLAIS
WITH BATS.

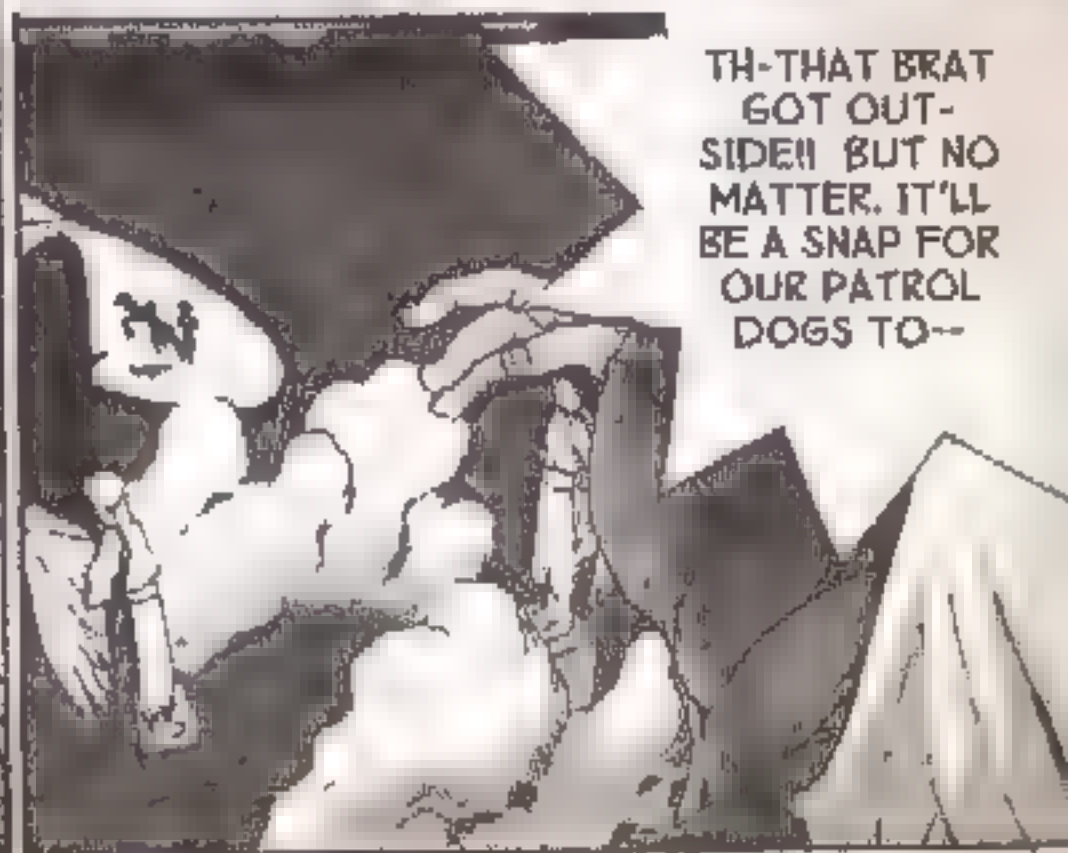
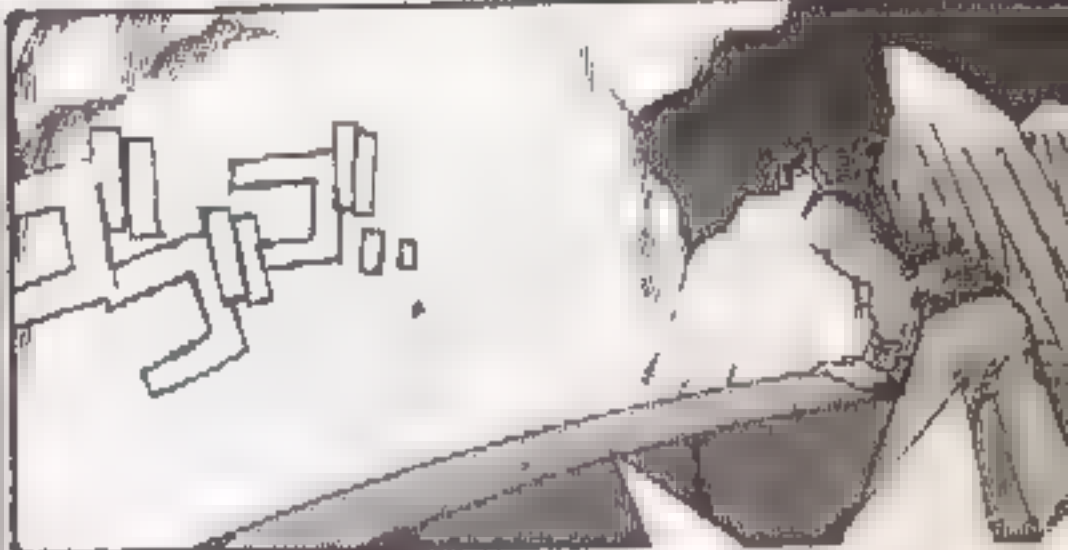


...ROYALE!!!

**CHIEF!!
IF WE
DON'T--**



OH.



**TH-THAT BRAT
GOT OUT-
SIDE!! BUT NO
MATTER. IT'LL
BE A SNAP FOR
OUR PATROL
DOGS TO--**

CHIEF,
WHAT IN
BLAZES ARE
YOU DOING
IN...THAT...
GET-UP?

TA-
DAH!!

SEVENTH
HEVEN

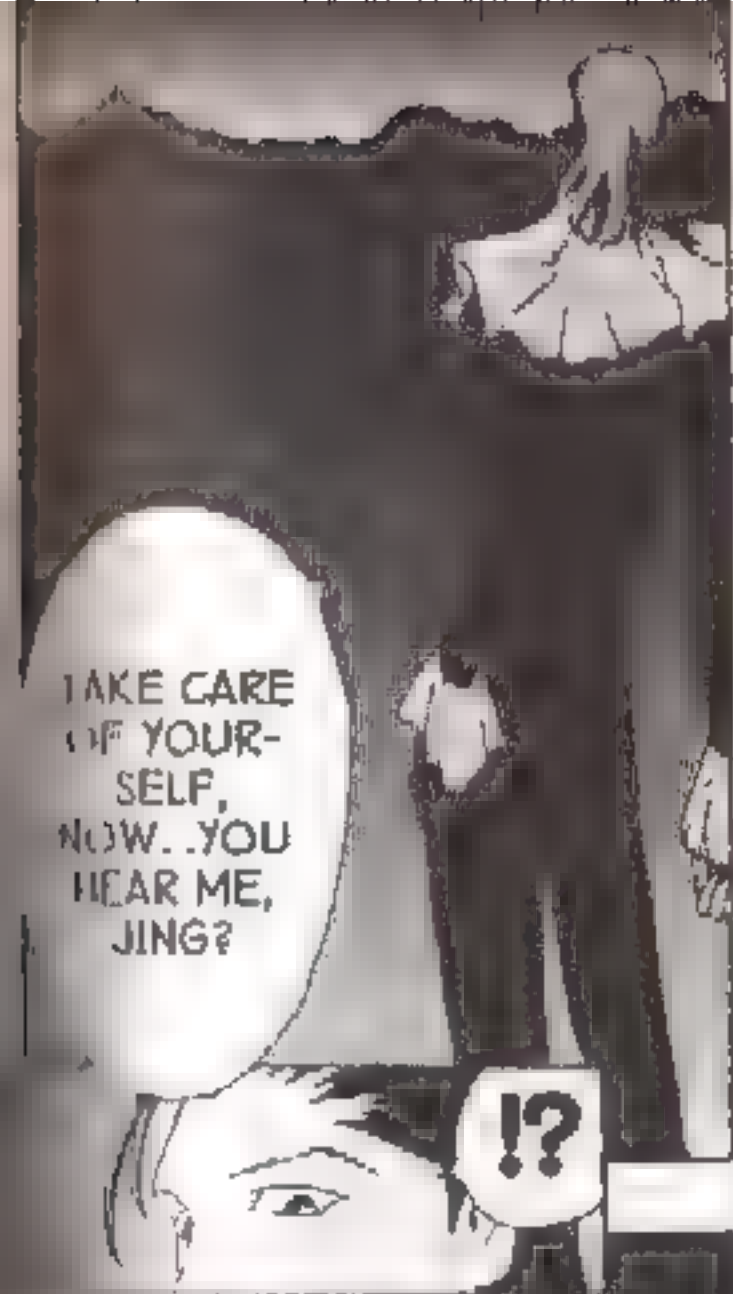
ELEMENTARY,
MY DEAR
HENCHMAN,
FOLLOWING
THAT LITTLE
RASCAL...FROM
THE SKY!

I'm a human
fighting machine!

AH--

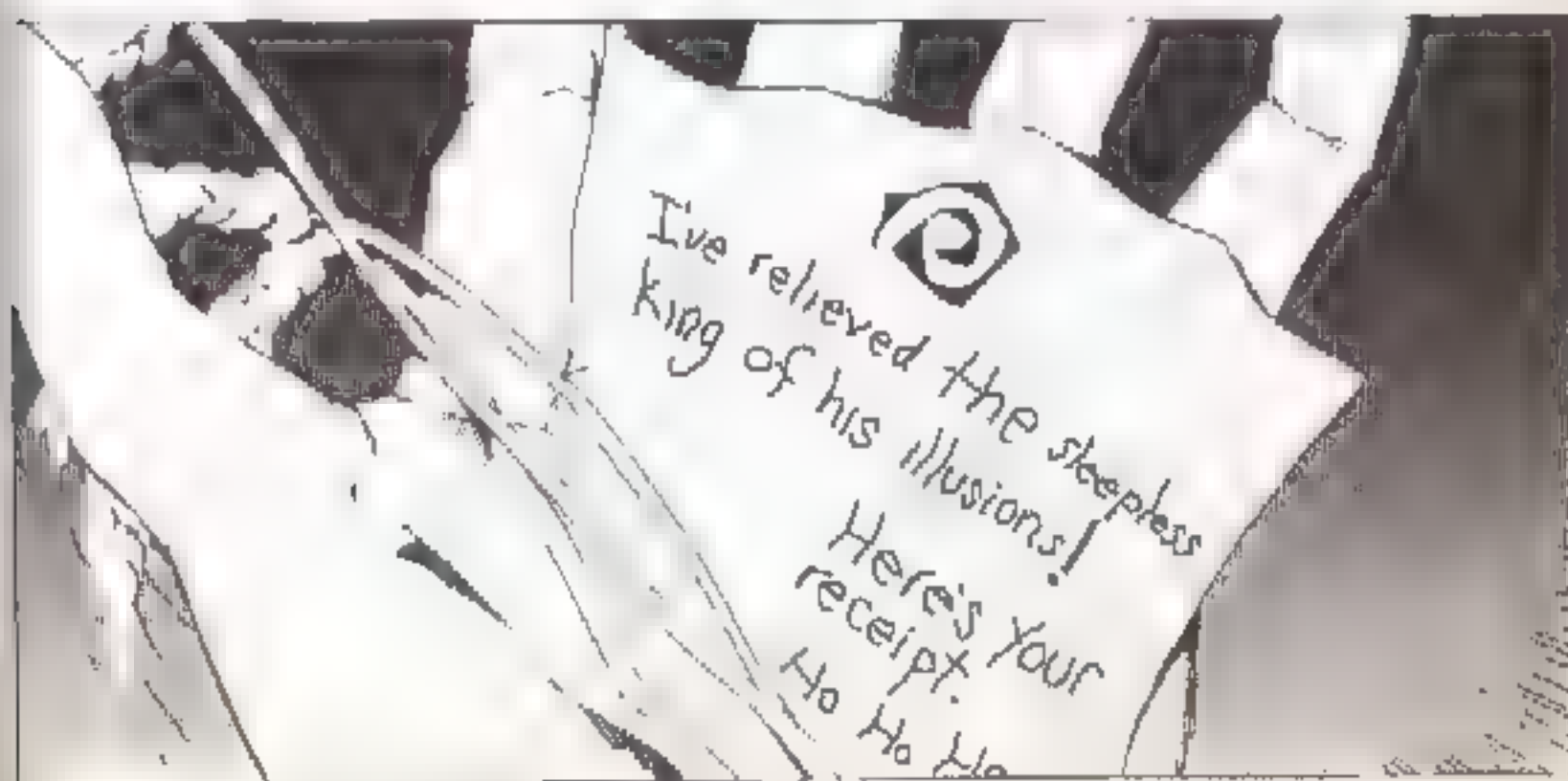
THE
SKY...BUT
CHIEF!
CHIEF?!

YOU
HAVE SEEN
MY INSIGNIA,
HAVEN'T YOU?!
IT'S A BAT
A BAT!

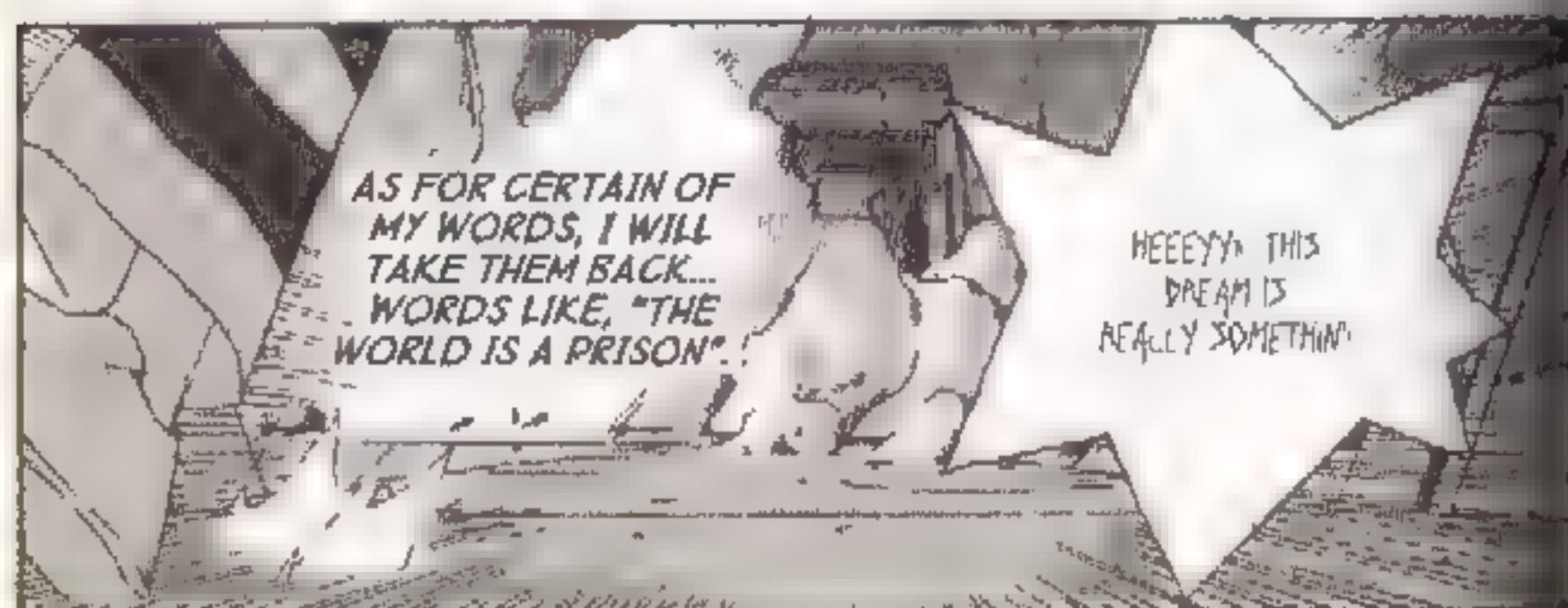
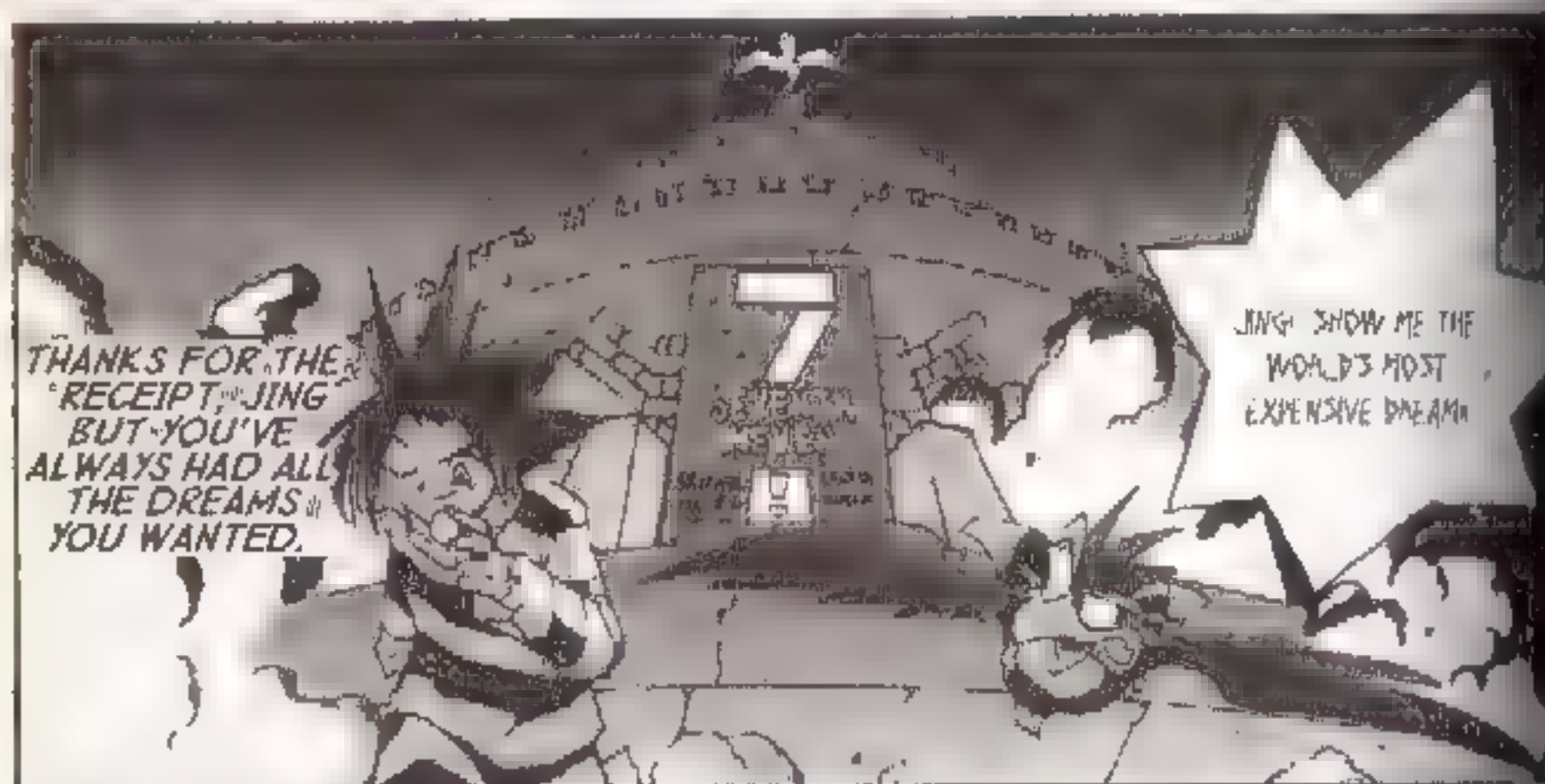


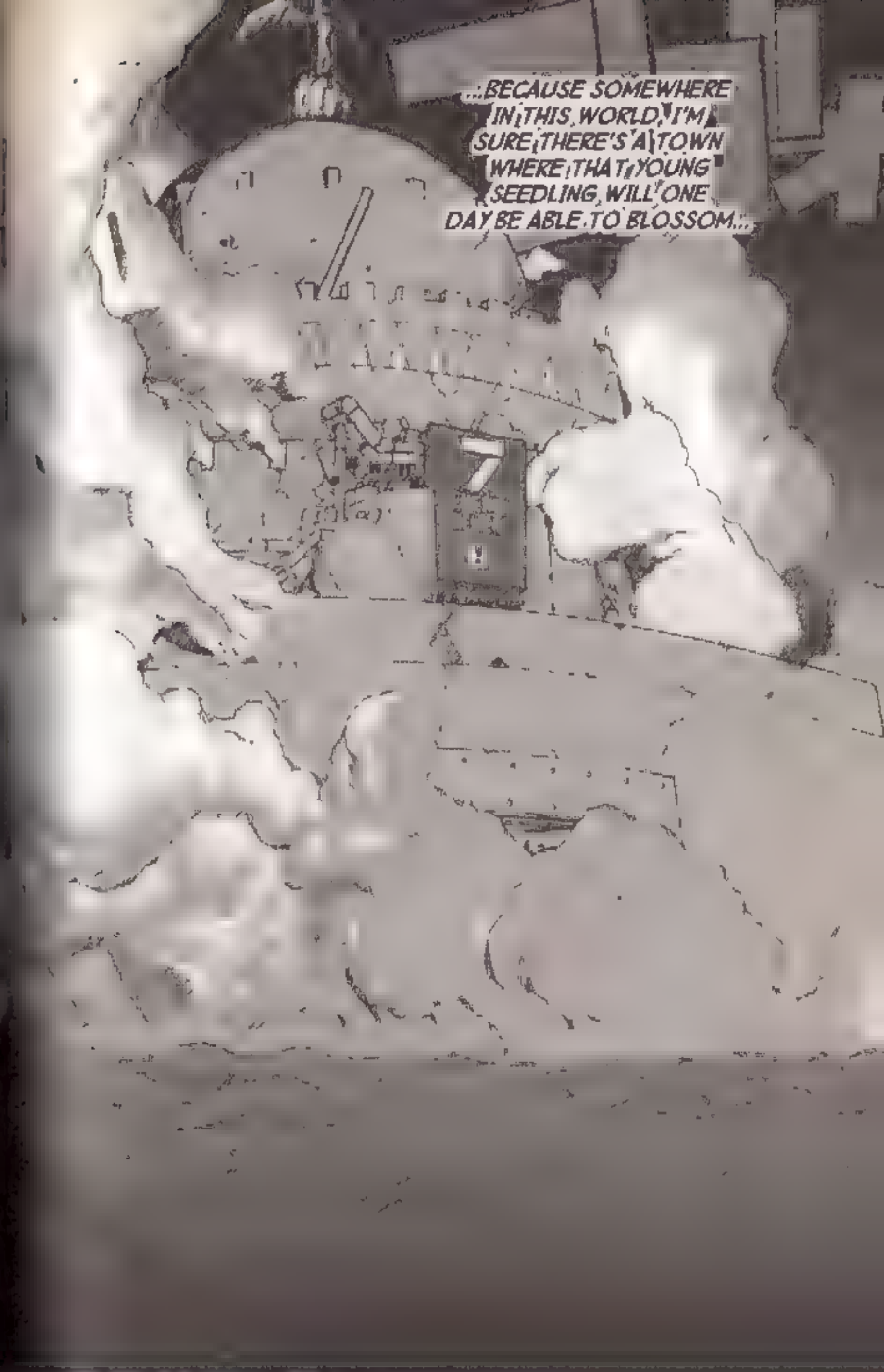
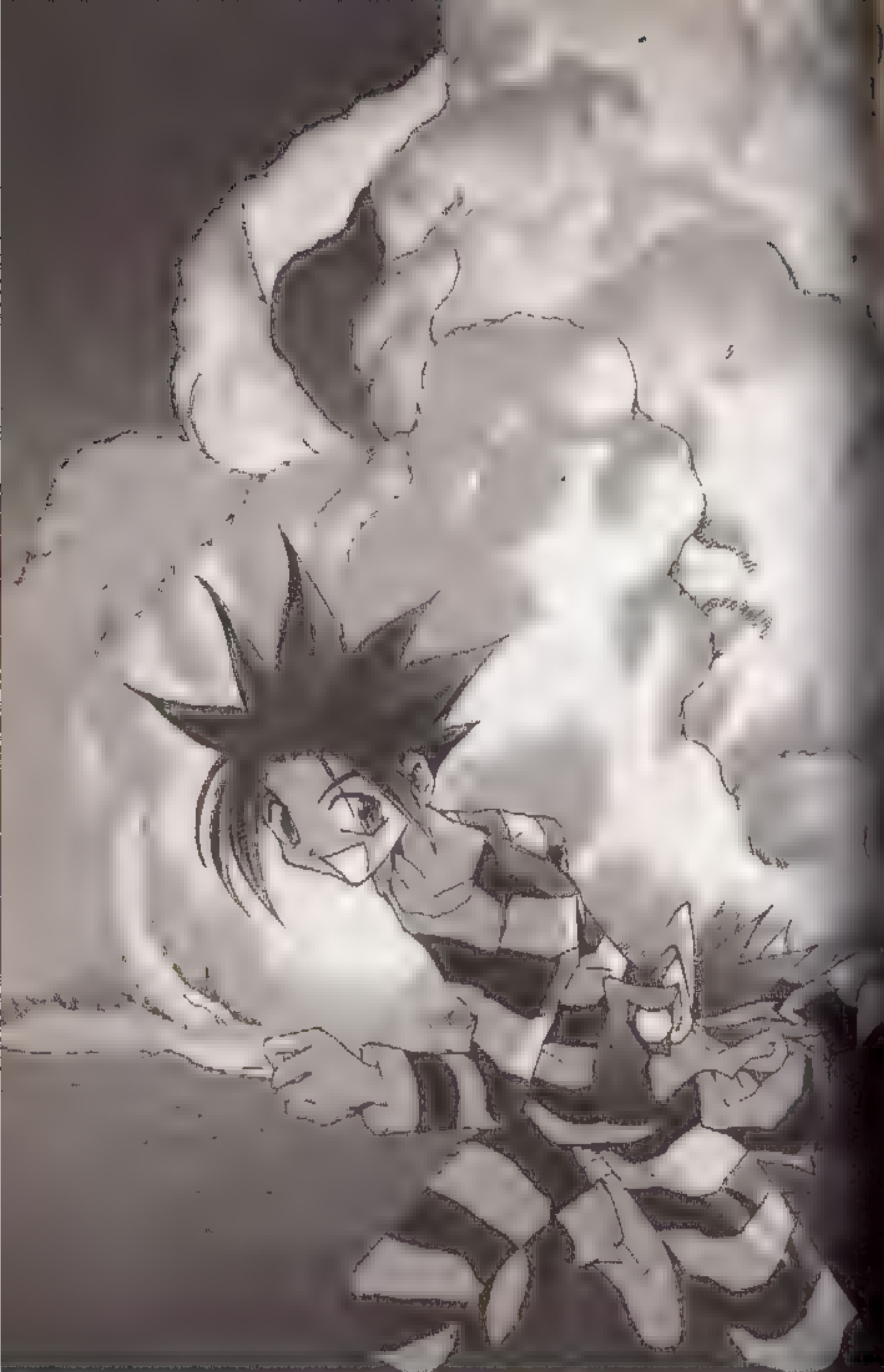
TAKE CARE
OF YOUR-
SELF,
NOW..YOU
HEAR ME,
JING?

!?



I've relieved the sleepless
King of his illusions!
Here's your
receipt.
Ho Ho Ho





...BECAUSE SOMEWHERE
IN THIS WORLD, I'M
SURE THERE'S A TOWN
WHERE THAT YOUNG
SEEDLING WILL ONE
DAY BE ABLE TO BLOSSOM...

AND SET IT UNDER A NOAK TREE NEAR THE SANCTUARY
OF THE LORD AND BOJICHA SAID UNTO ALL THE PEOPLE
FOR IT HATH HEARD ALL OF THE WORDS THE LORD
HATH SAKE UNTO US
IT SHALL THEREFORE BE A WITNESS UNTO YOU,
LEST YE DENY YOUR LORD



AND SO

POSHI A LEE THE HEATH DEAR

PERLY MA TO HIS FURNANCE

POSHI A 24 26 28



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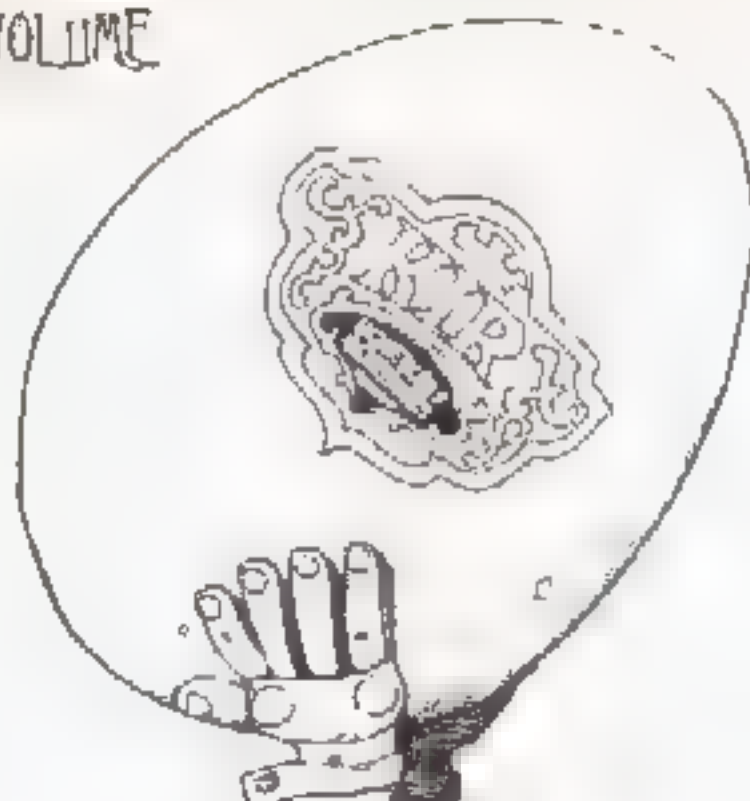
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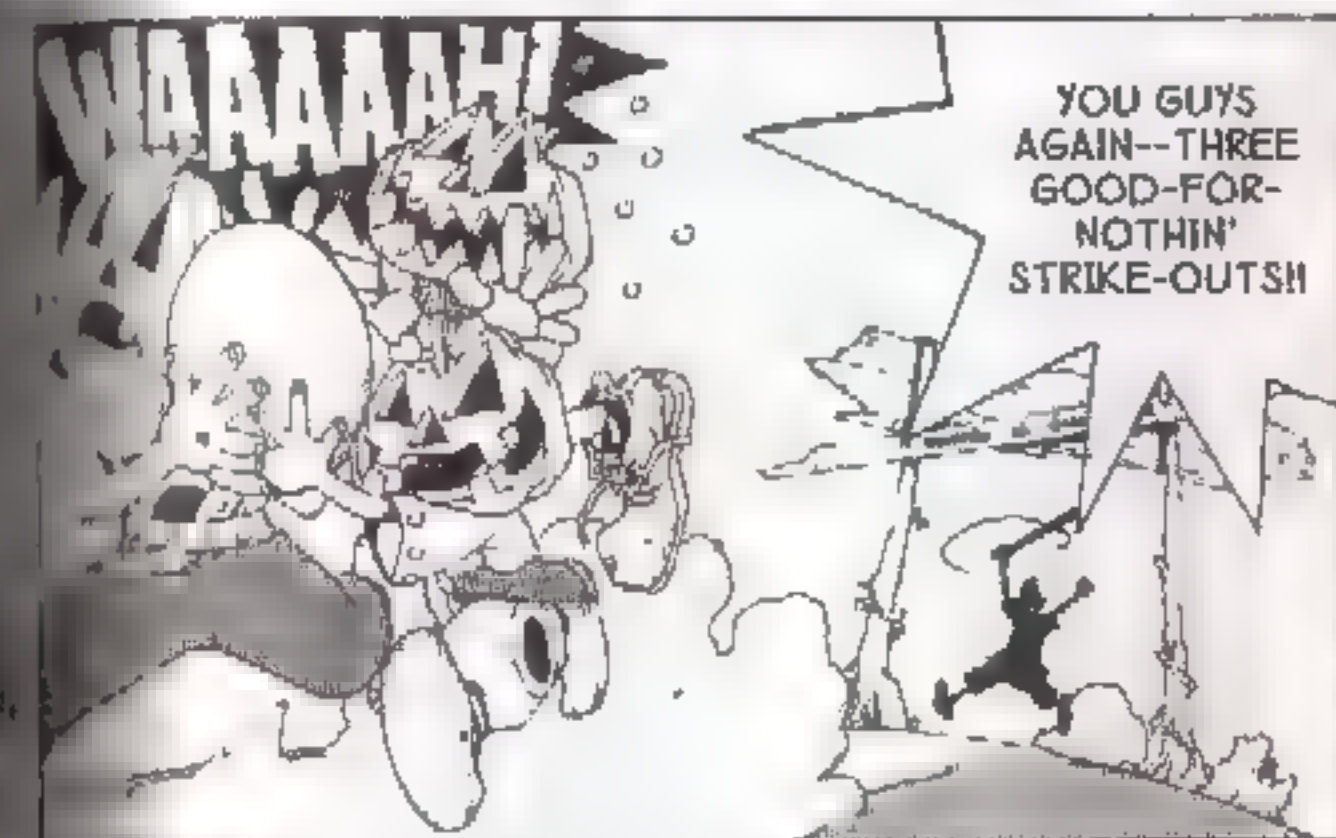
ТАТАТАТАТА!

YEAH!
WHAT'D WE DO
IF SOMETHIN'
HAPPENED TO
THIS LIL'
TREASURE...?

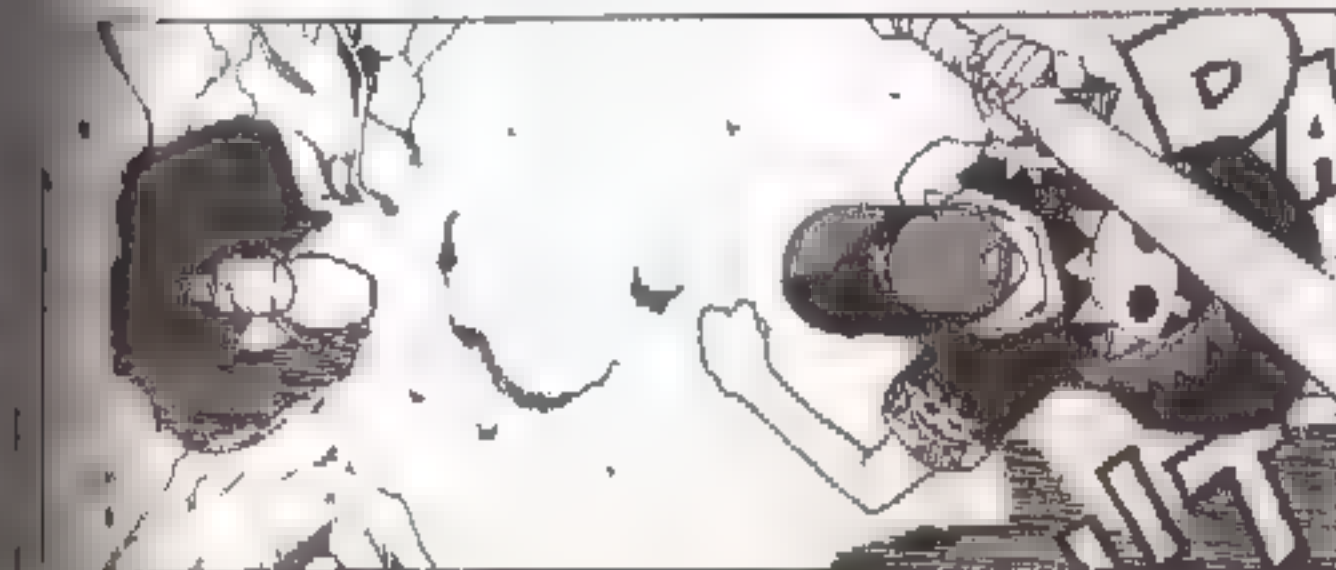
I KNOW,
HUH?

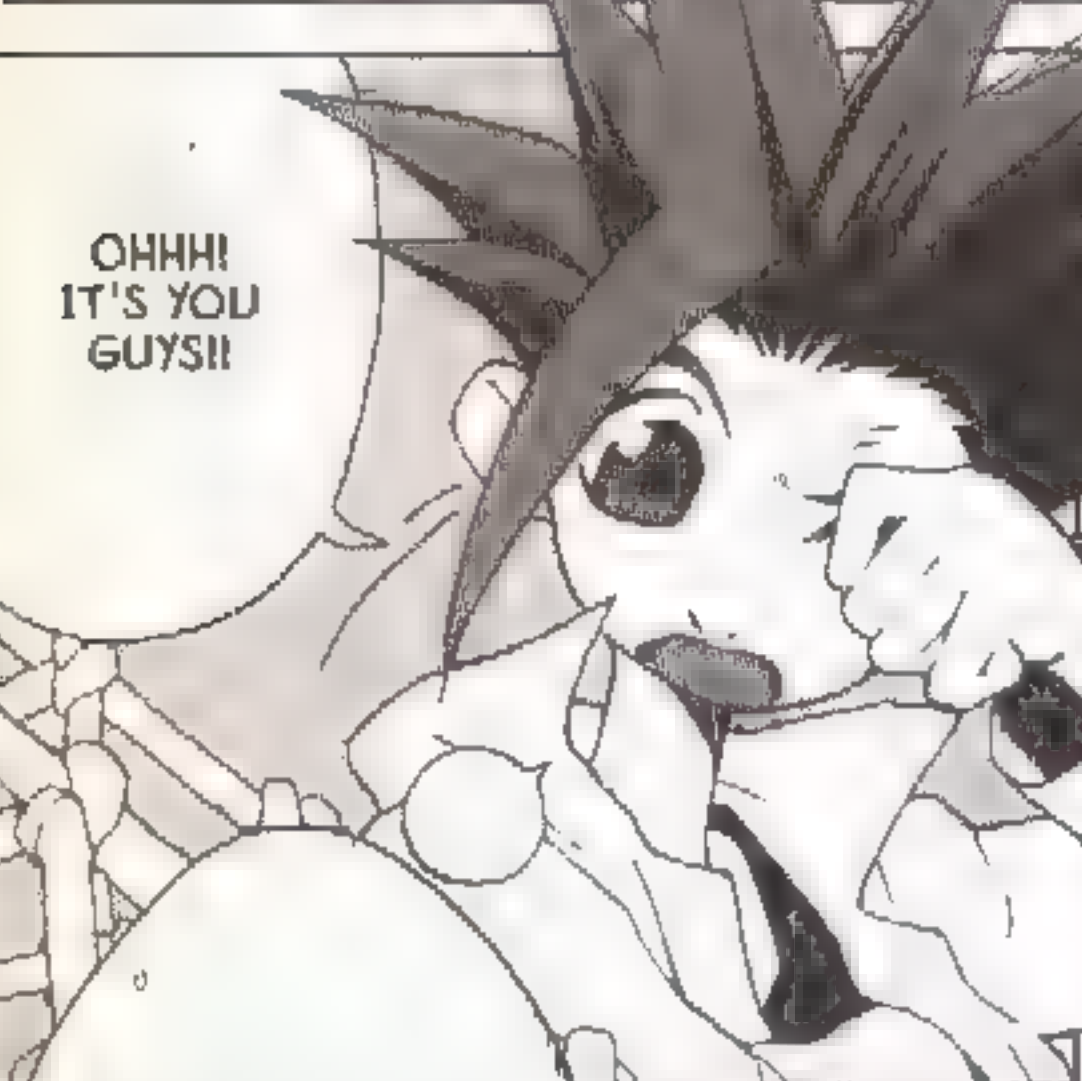
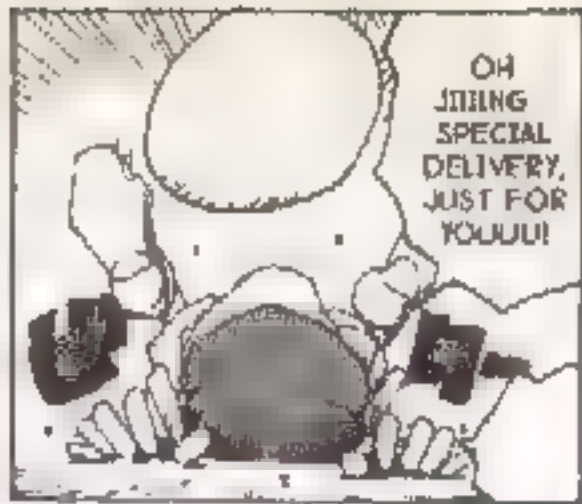
WHOA,
MINT--THAT
WAS CLOSE!!

HEY,
UM, WHAT'RE
WE GONNA
DO WITH IT,
ANYWAY...?



YOU GUYS
AGAIN--THREE
GOOD-FOR-
NOTHIN'
STRIKE-OUTS!!







WHAT
KIND?



A
PRESENT,
HUH...?



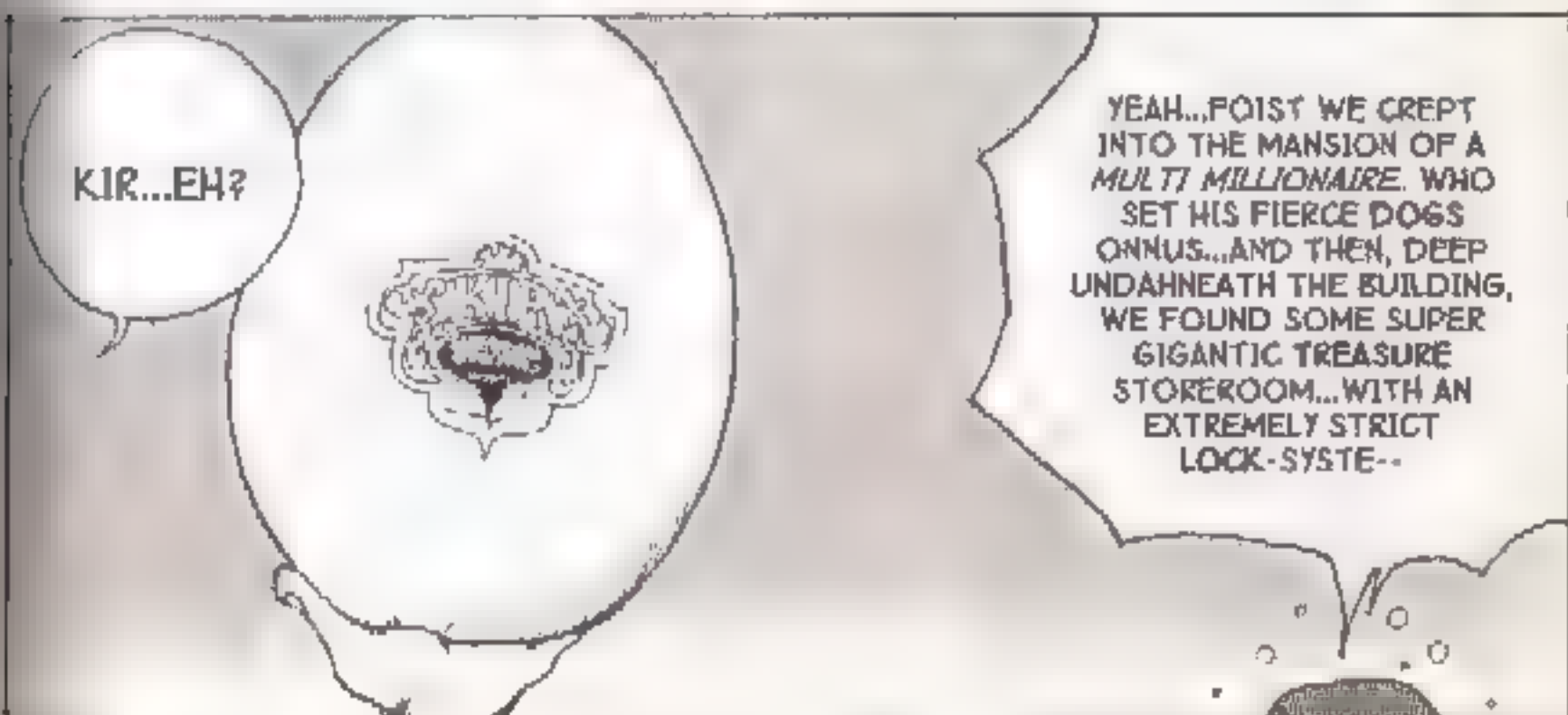
...WELL,
WE...OBTAINED
THE ITEM WITH
ALL OF OUR
SKILL.

YEAH...IN
HONOR OF
JING'S FIELD
OF EXPERTISE,
L...



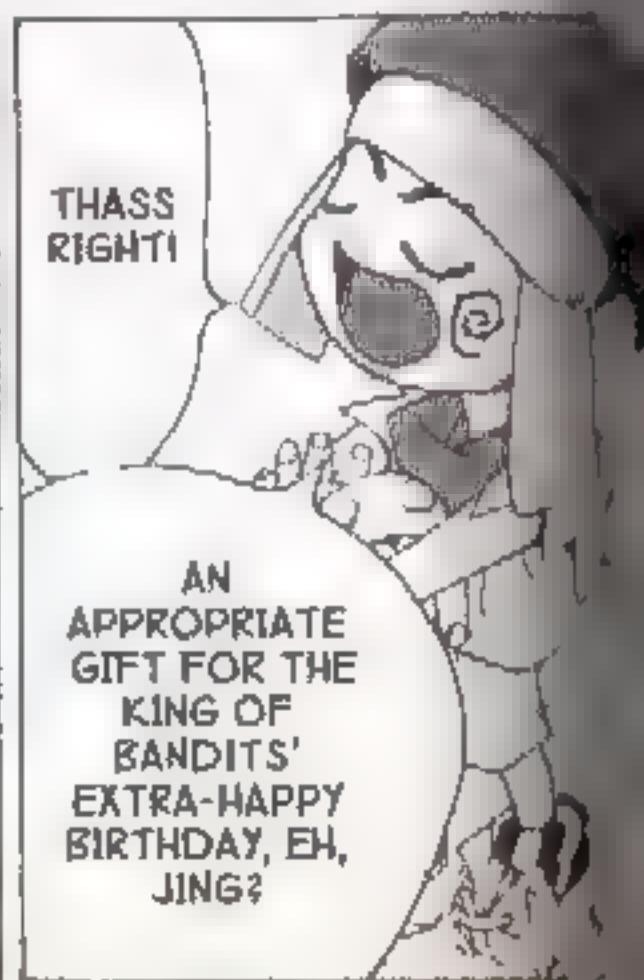
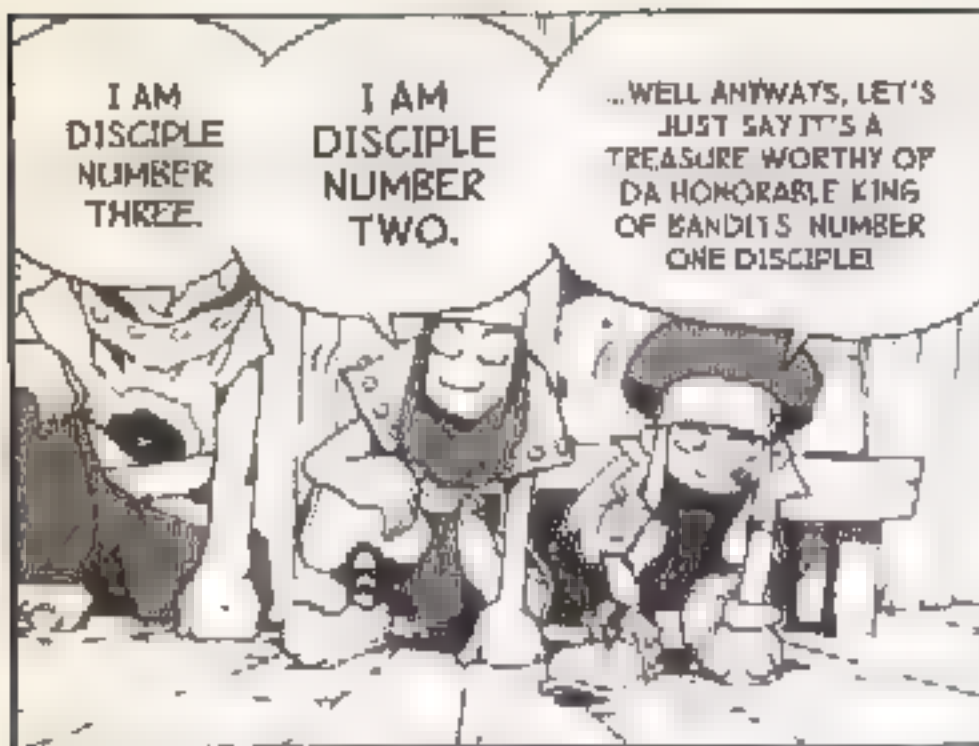
THE
C-O-O-L
KIND!!

PACH
PACH



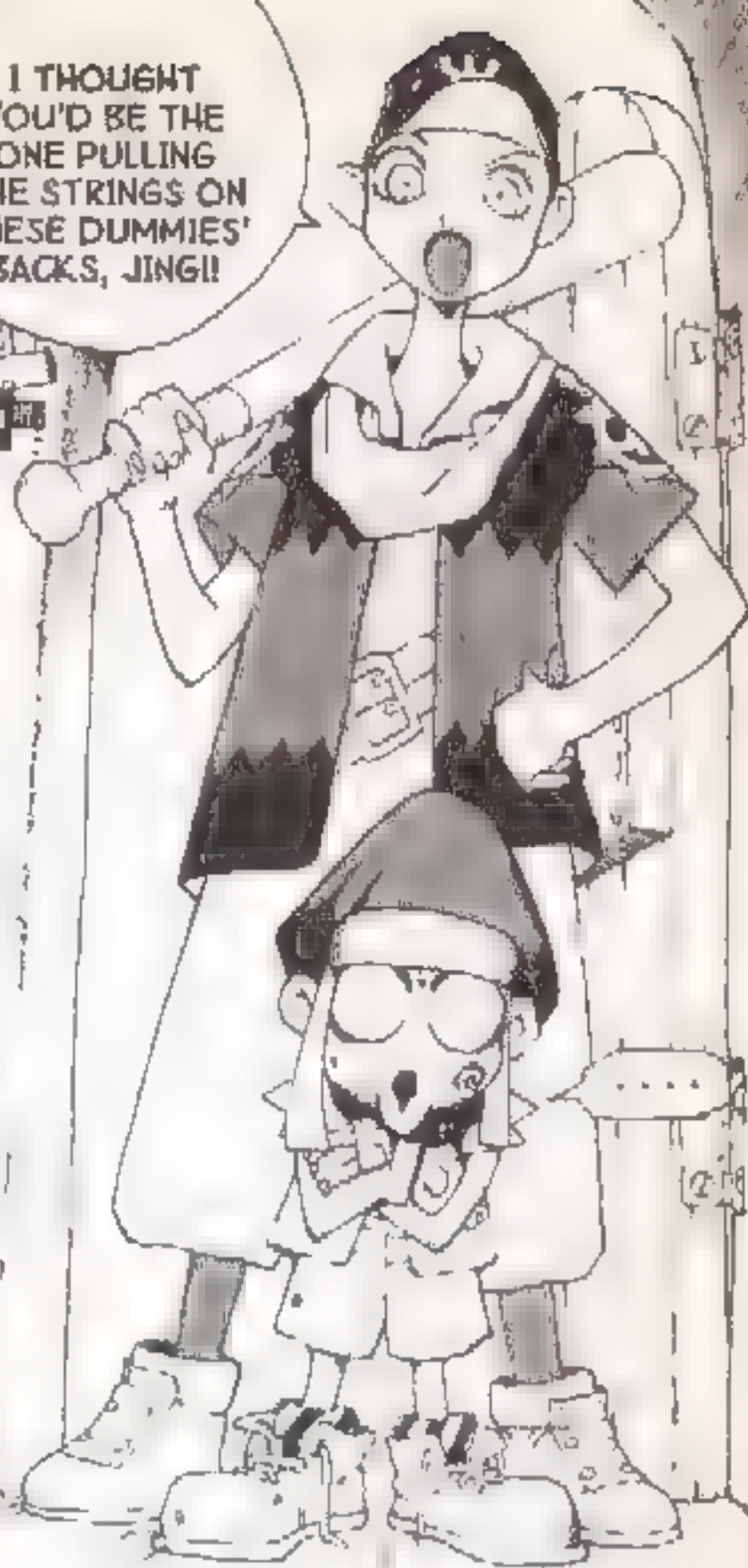
KIR...EH?

YEAH...FOIST WE CREPT
INTO THE MANSION OF A
MULTI MILLIONAIRE. WHO
SET HIS FIERCE DOGS
ONNUS...AND THEN, DEEP
UNDAHNEATH THE BUILDING,
WE FOUND SOME SUPER
GIGANTIC TREASURE
STOREROOM...WITH AN
EXTREMELY STRICT
LOCK-SYSTE--





I THOUGHT
YOU'D BE THE
ONE PULLING
THE STRINGS ON
THESE DUMMIES'
BACKS, JINGI!

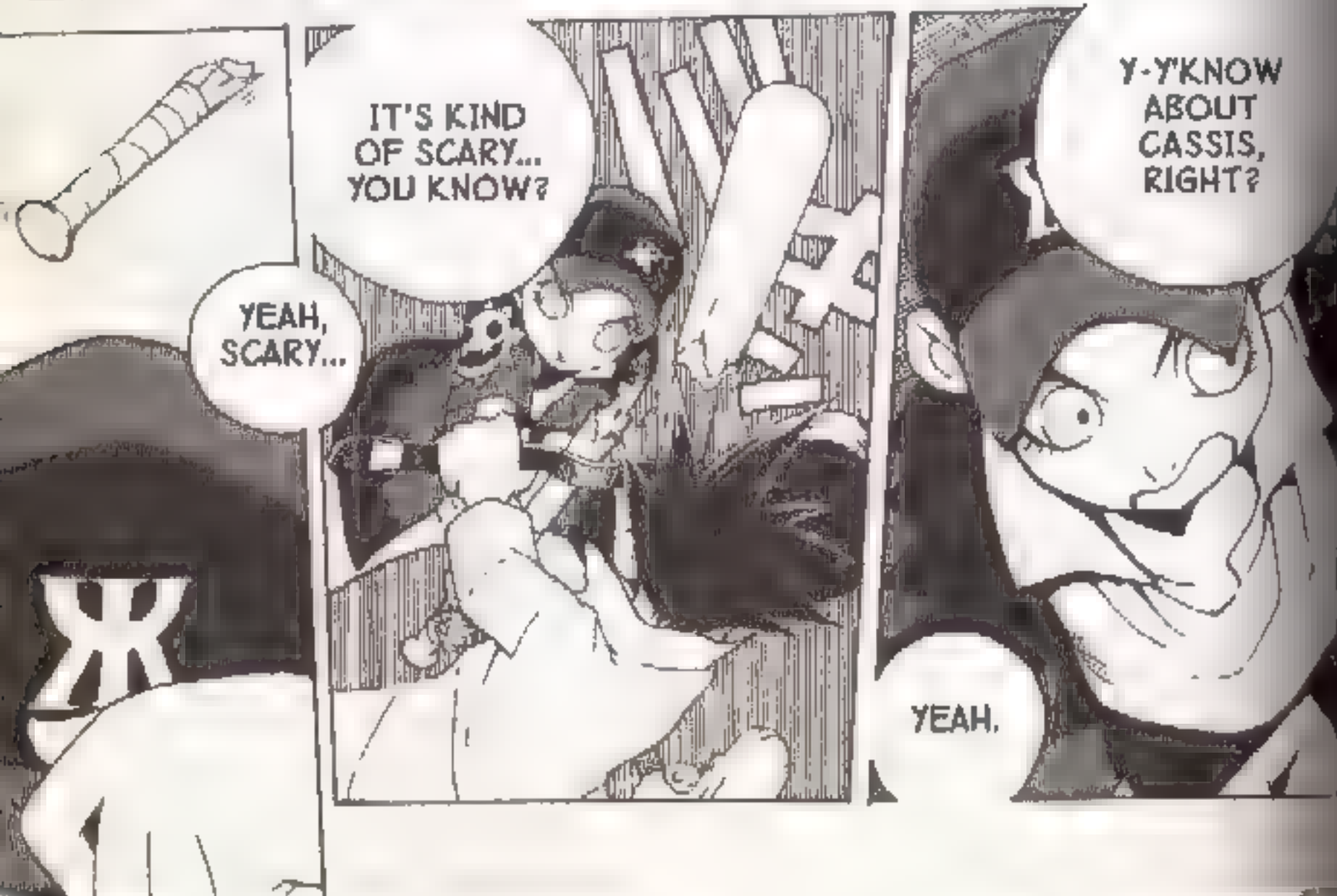
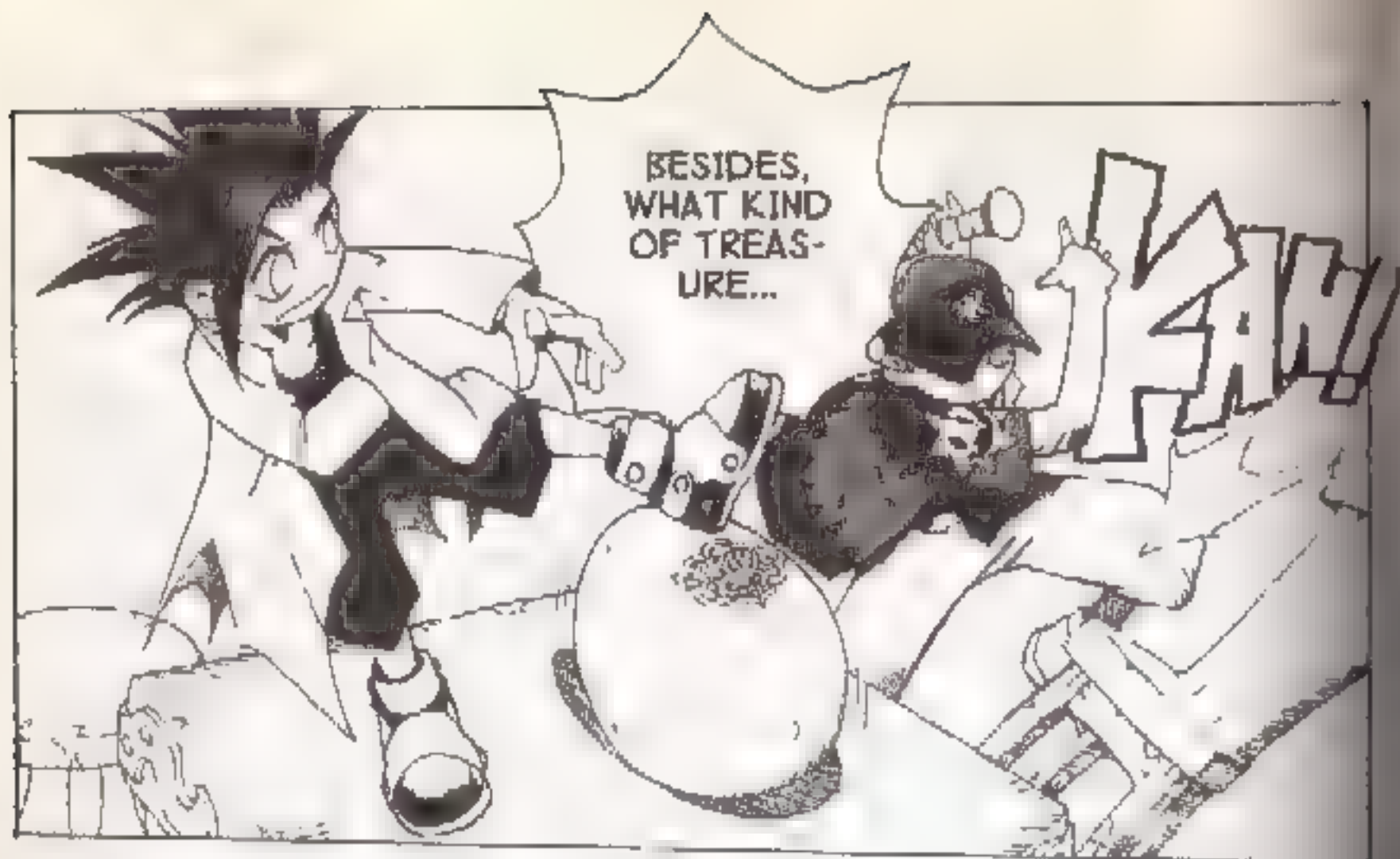


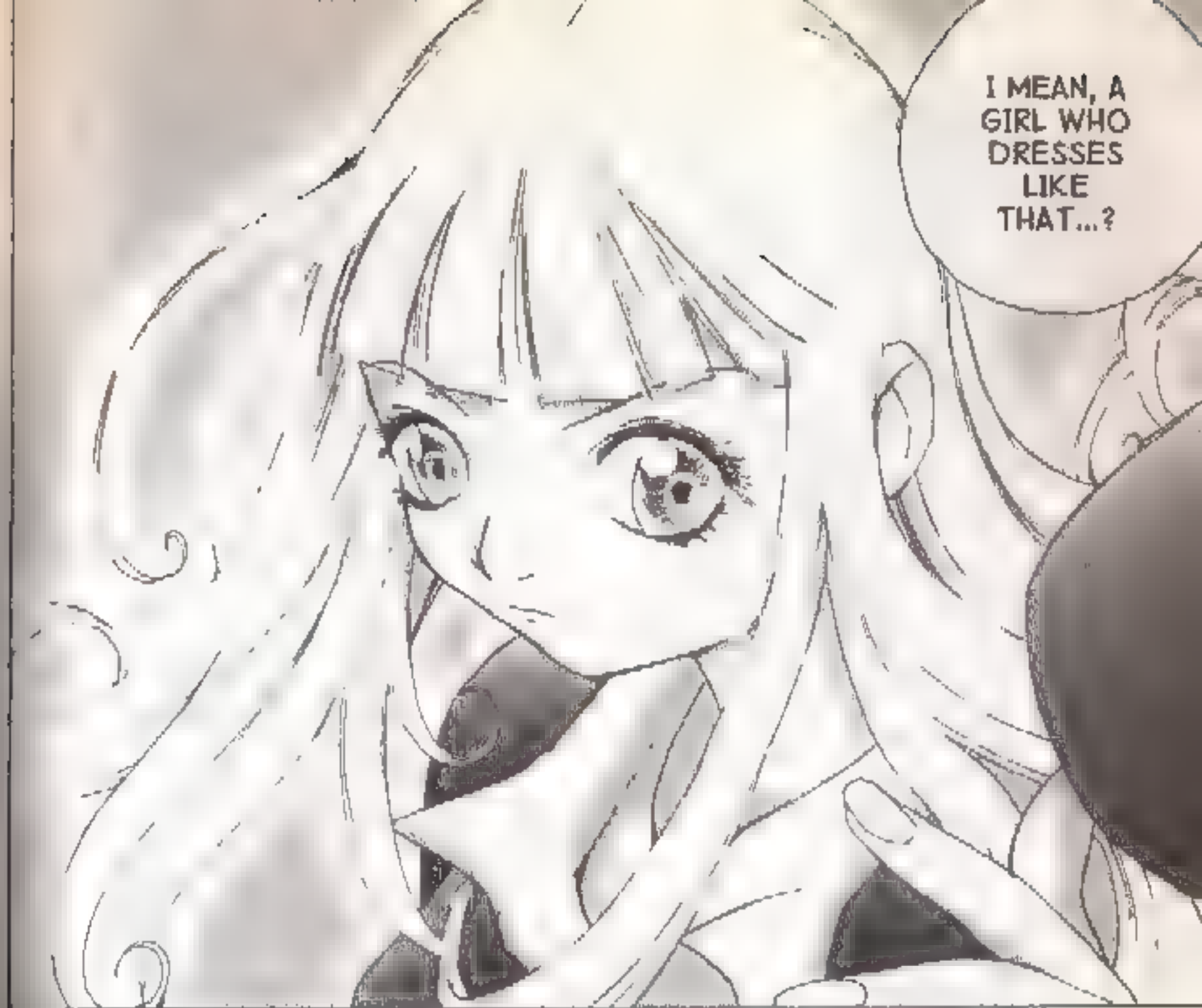
NAH,
THIS JOB
WAS OF
THEIR OWN
FREE WILL.

HEY,
HEY...
VIOLENCE
IS NO
LAUGHING
MATTER.

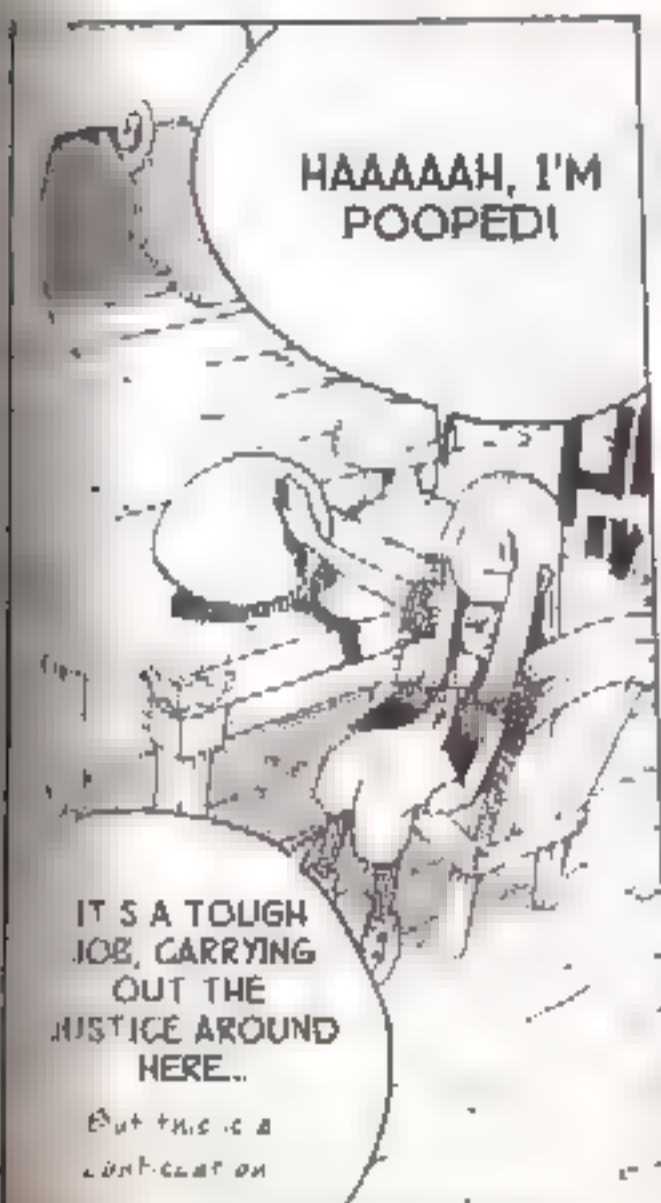
GO
GO
GO

WHY YOU
STRAIGHT
PITCHED SON
OF A-- WHAT'S
THAT SUP-
POSED TO
MEAN?!!





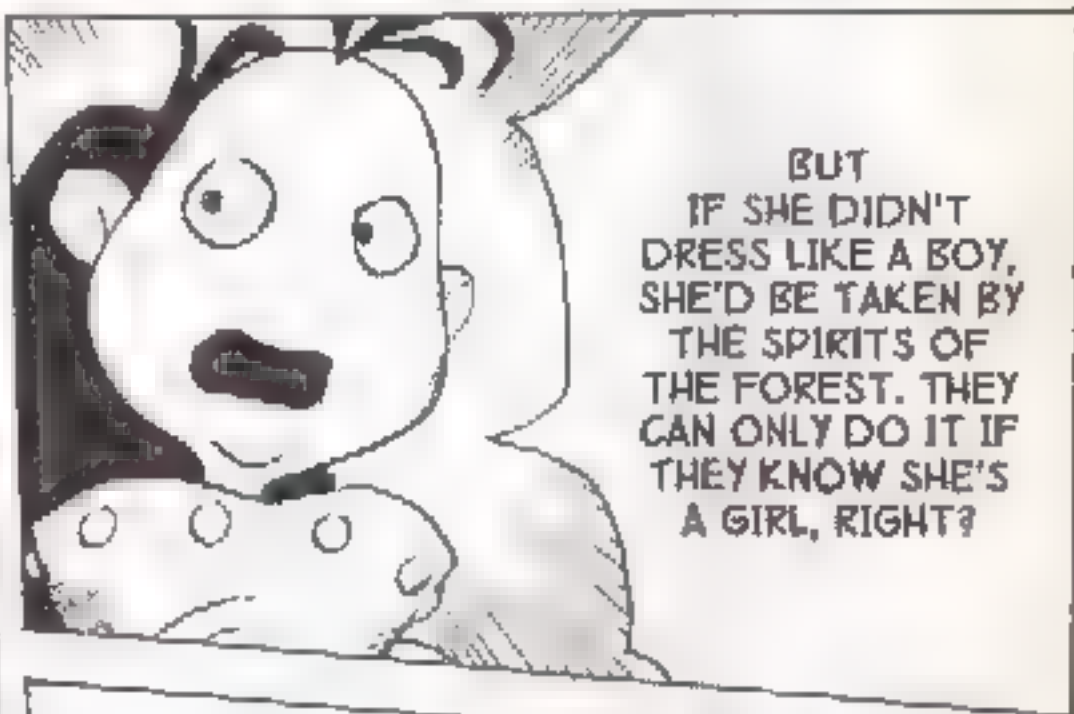
I MEAN, A
GIRL WHO
DRESSES
LIKE
THAT...?



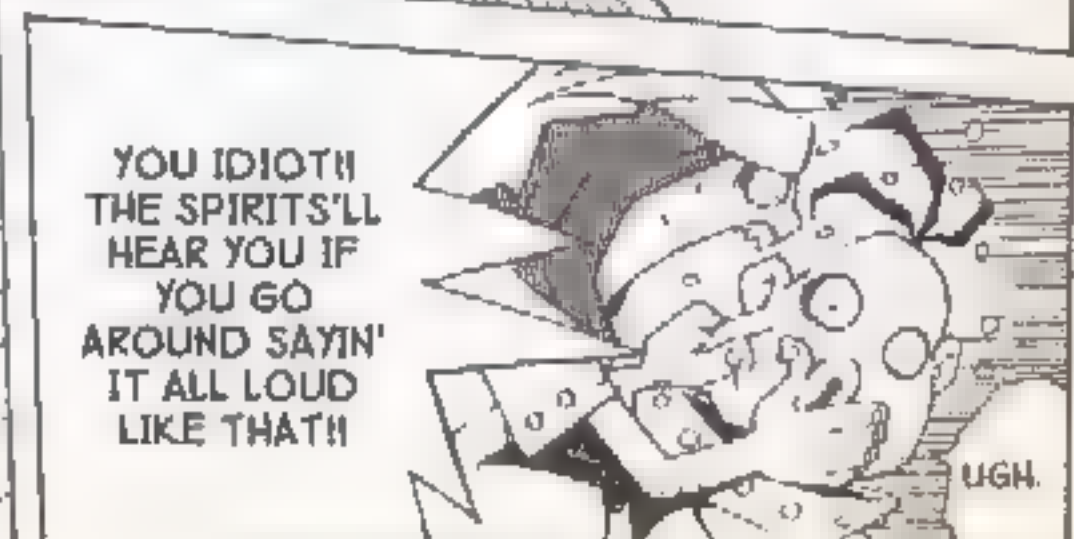
HAAAAAH, I'M
POOPED!

IT'S A TOUGH
JOB, CARRYING
OUT THE
JUSTICE AROUND
HERE...

*But this is a
continuation*




BUT
IF SHE DIDN'T
DRESS LIKE A BOY,
SHE'D BE TAKEN BY
THE SPIRITS OF
THE FOREST. THEY
CAN ONLY DO IT IF
THEY KNOW SHE'S
A GIRL, RIGHT?



YOU IDIOT!!
THE SPIRITS'LL
HEAR YOU IF
YOU GO
AROUND SAYIN'
IT ALL LOUD
LIKE THAT!!


UGH.



WHUDEVA.
YOU ACT LIKE YOU
CAME HERE TO PICK A
FIGHT OR SOMETHIN'.
BUT REALLY YOU JUST
WANTED TO SEE
JING.



BUT...
CASSIS...

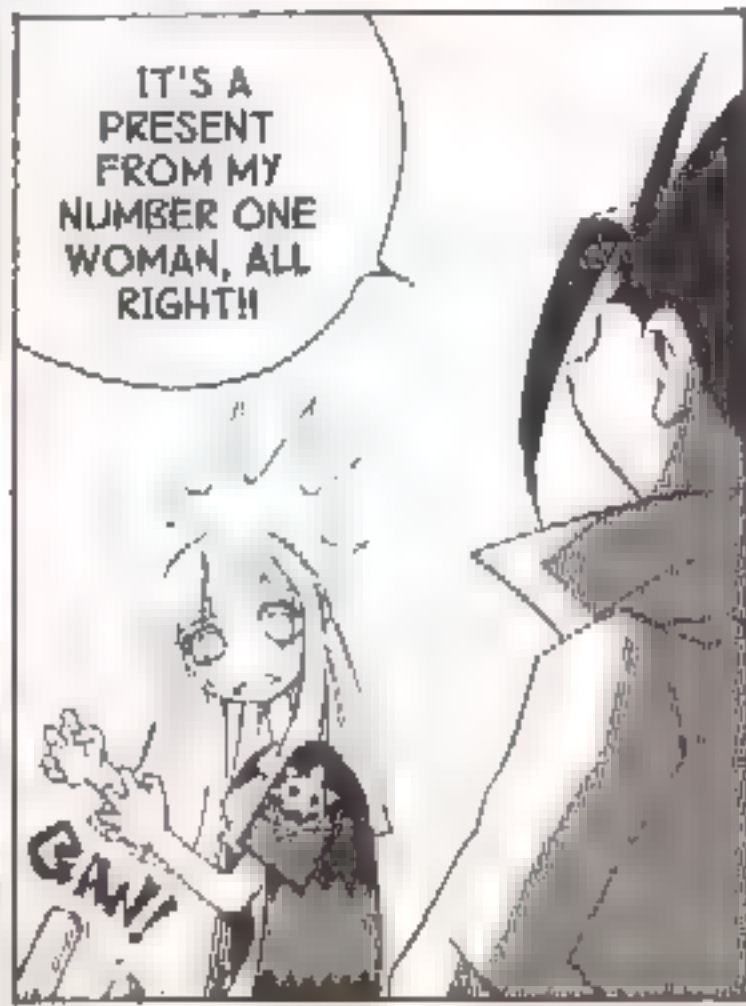


HEY JING,
WHAT'S THIS
PACKAGE?


...OHI



YOU
SEE...IT'S
FROM MY
MOM.



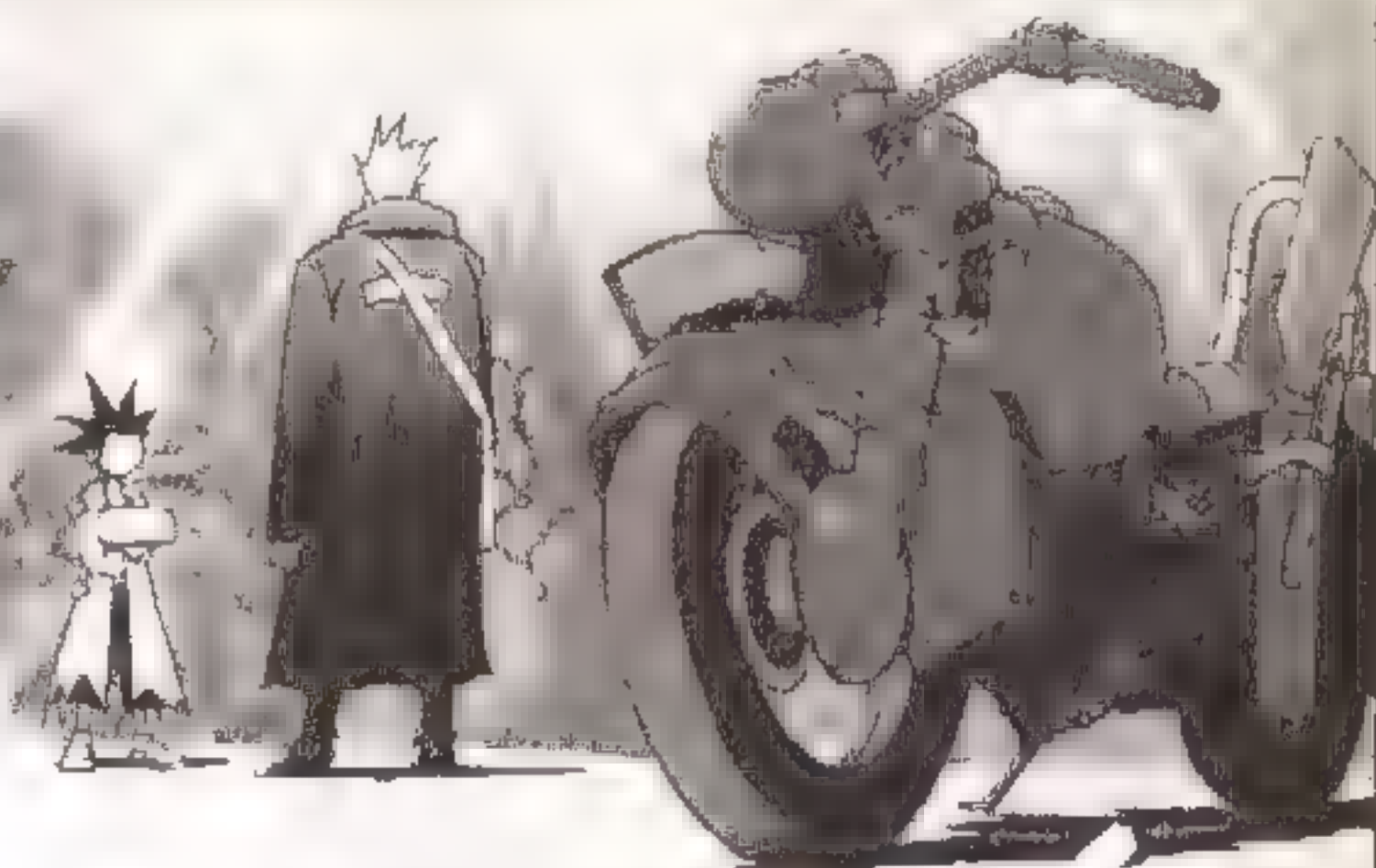
IT'S A
PRESENT
FROM MY
NUMBER ONE
WOMAN, ALL
RIGHT!



PRETTY
BIG, HUH?
COULD IT BE
FROM JING'S
GIIIRL-
FRIEND?

EARLIER THAT YEAR...

MY
MOM...?



YEPI
FIVE YEARS AGO,
YOUR MOTHER
REQUESTED I
DELIVER IT TO
YOU TODAY, AT
ANY COST.

ESPECIALLY SINCE
YOUR MOTHER
SPECIFICALLY
INSTRUCTED THAT
THE PACKAGE COULD
NOT BE DELIVERED
EVEN ONE DAY LATE.

BUT
HOW DID
YOU KNOW
WHERE I--

IN
OTHER
WORDS,
ON YOUR
TENTH
BIRTHDAY.

OH, I
KNOW THESE
THINGS!! IF I
KNEW WHERE
YOU STAYED
ONCE... YOU CAN
BET I'LL BE ABLE
TO FIND YOU
ANYWHERE



AND WHEN
YOU REACH
YOUR TENTH
BIRTHDAY, THIS
ITEM WILL
BE NEEDED
FOR YOUR
RIGHT HAND,
SHE SAID.

APPARENTLY,
THIS HERE BOX
HOLDS SOMETHING
WITH A DEEP
CONNECTION TO
THAT BUM RIGHT
HAND OF YOURS.
THAT'S WHAT YOUR
MOTHER SAID,
ANYWAY.

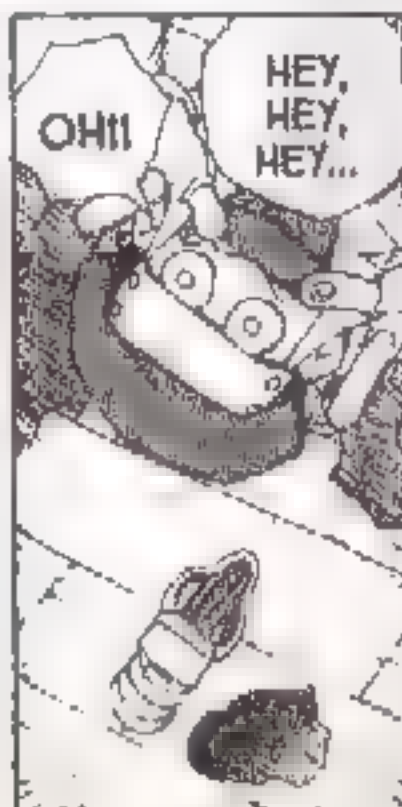
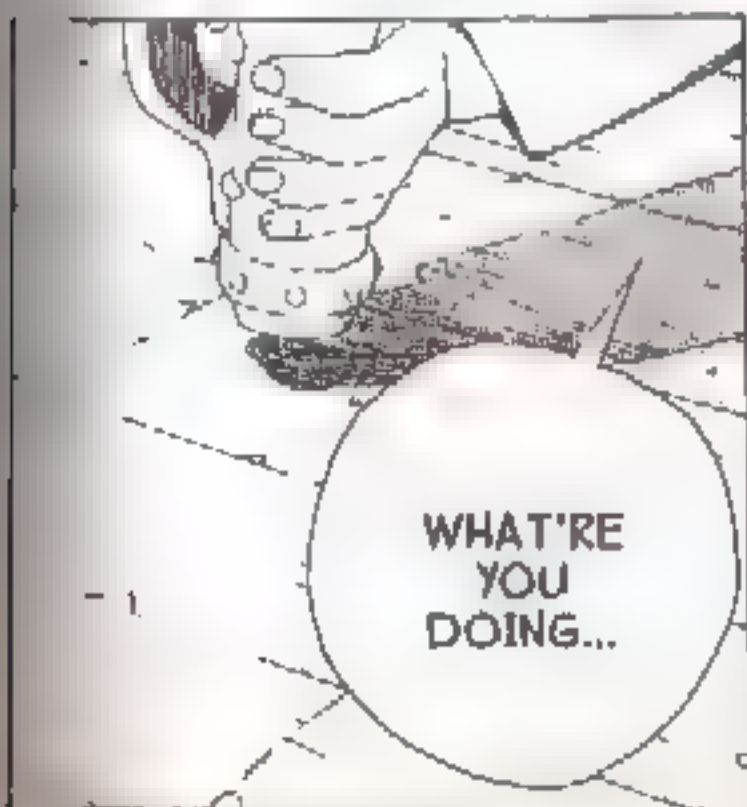
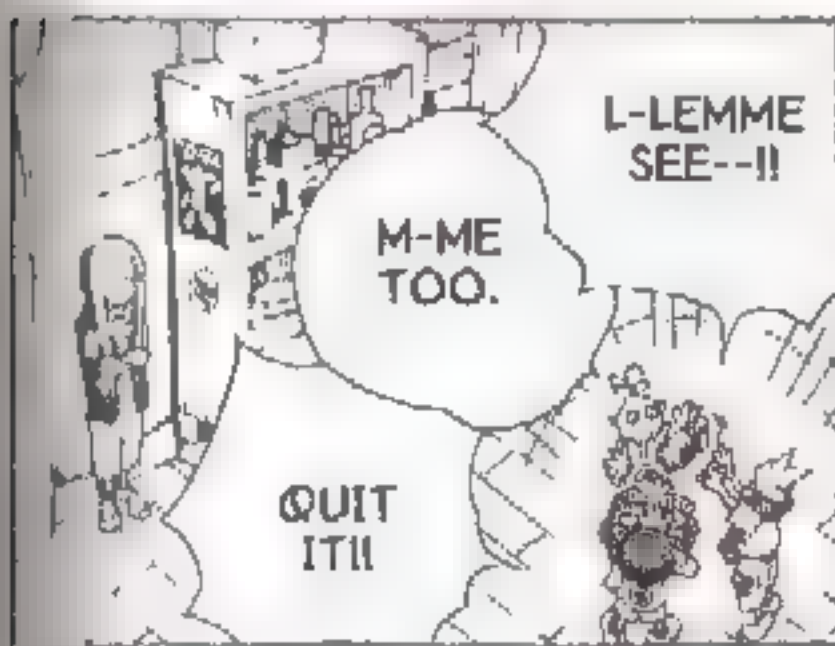
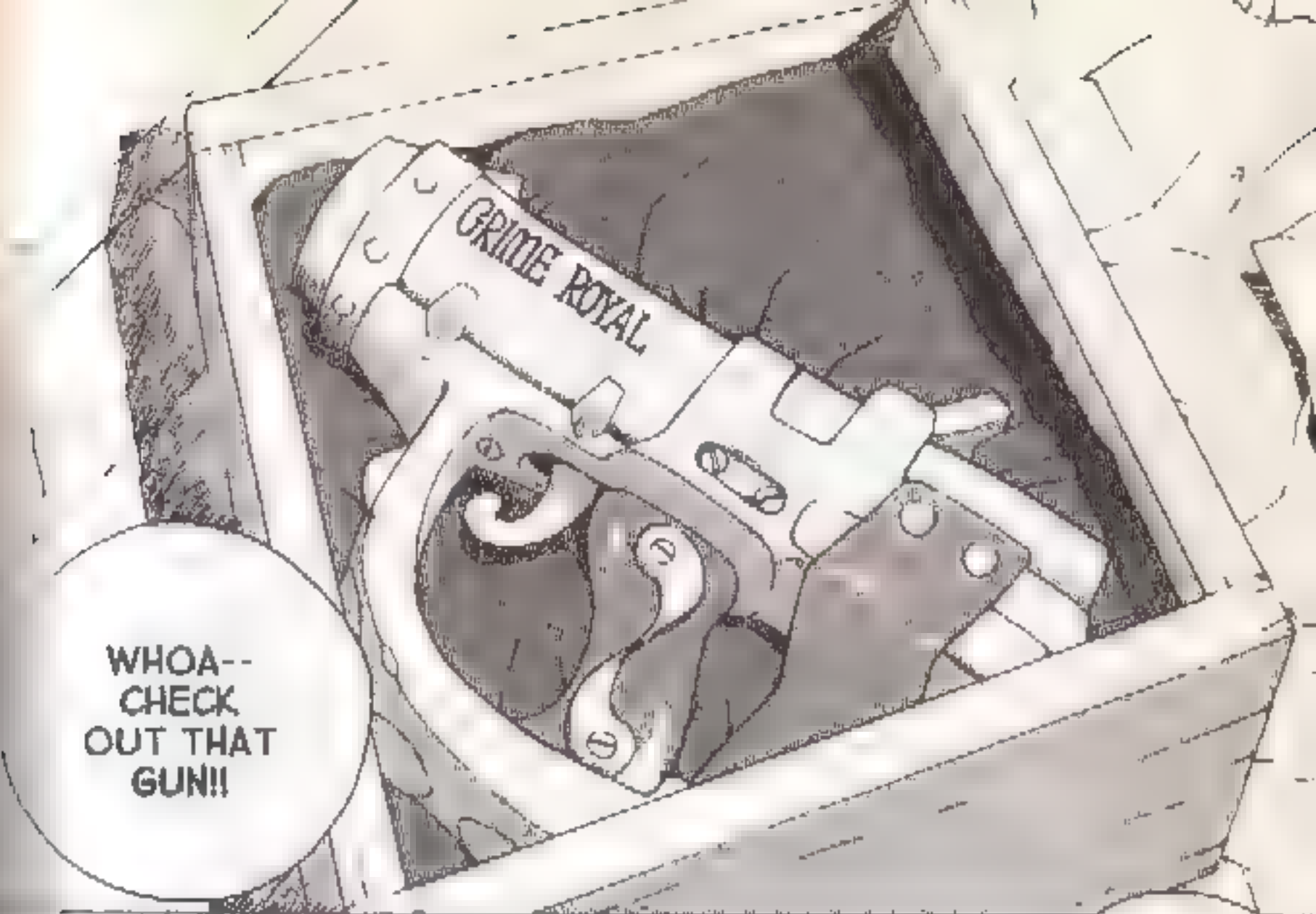
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LOOKS LIKE MY
WORK'S DONE
HERE!!

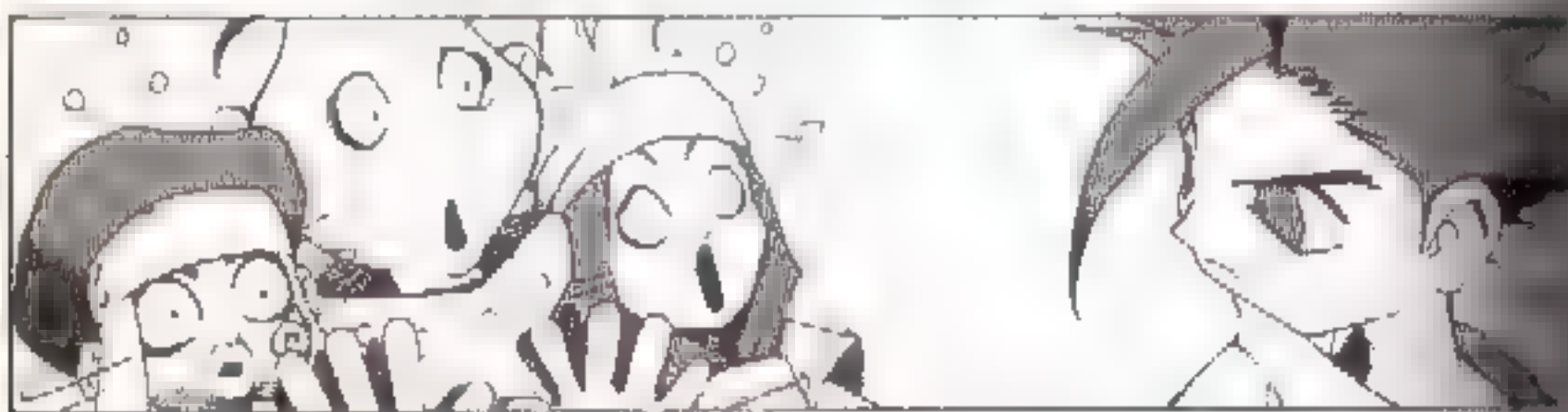
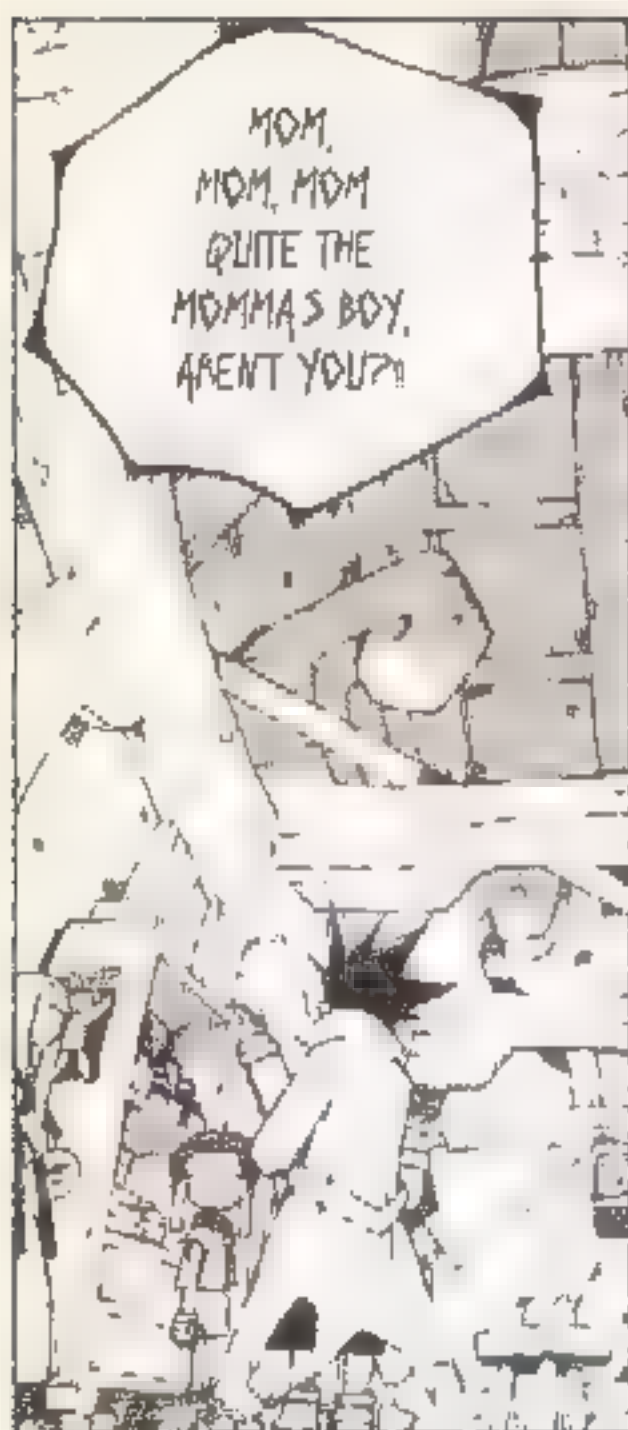
HMMM...
FROM
MOM,
EH?

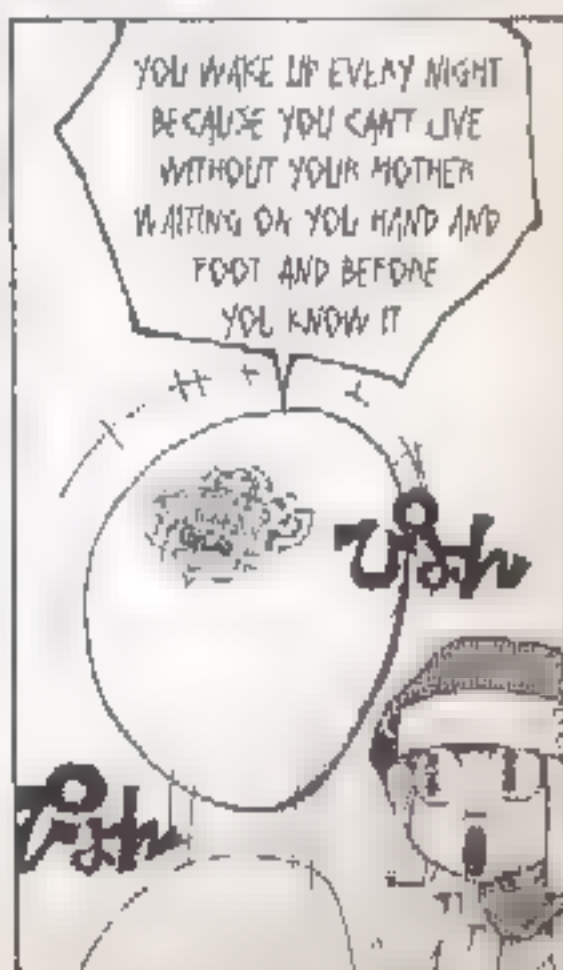
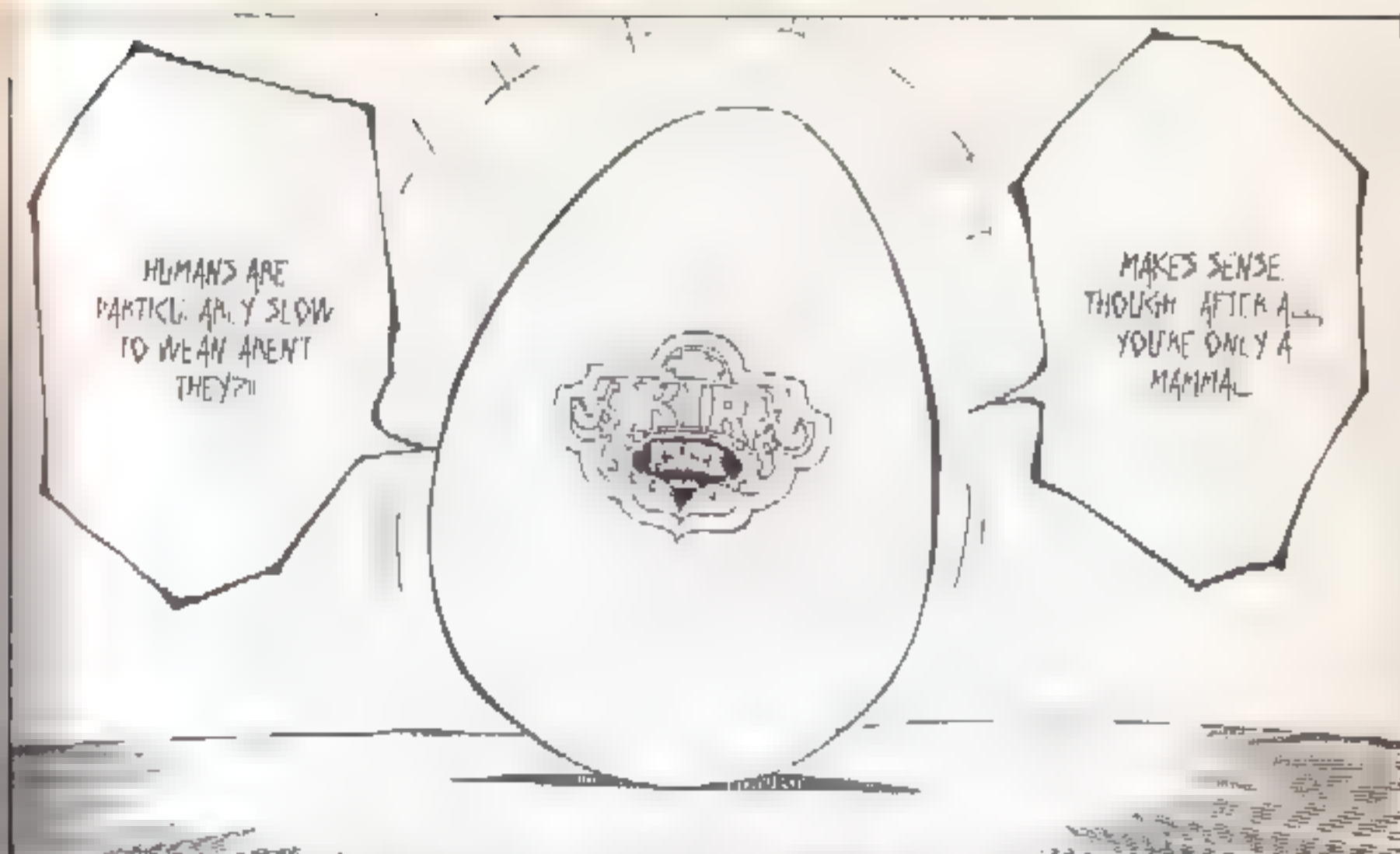
SEE YAI
CALL ME IF
YOU NEED
ME!!

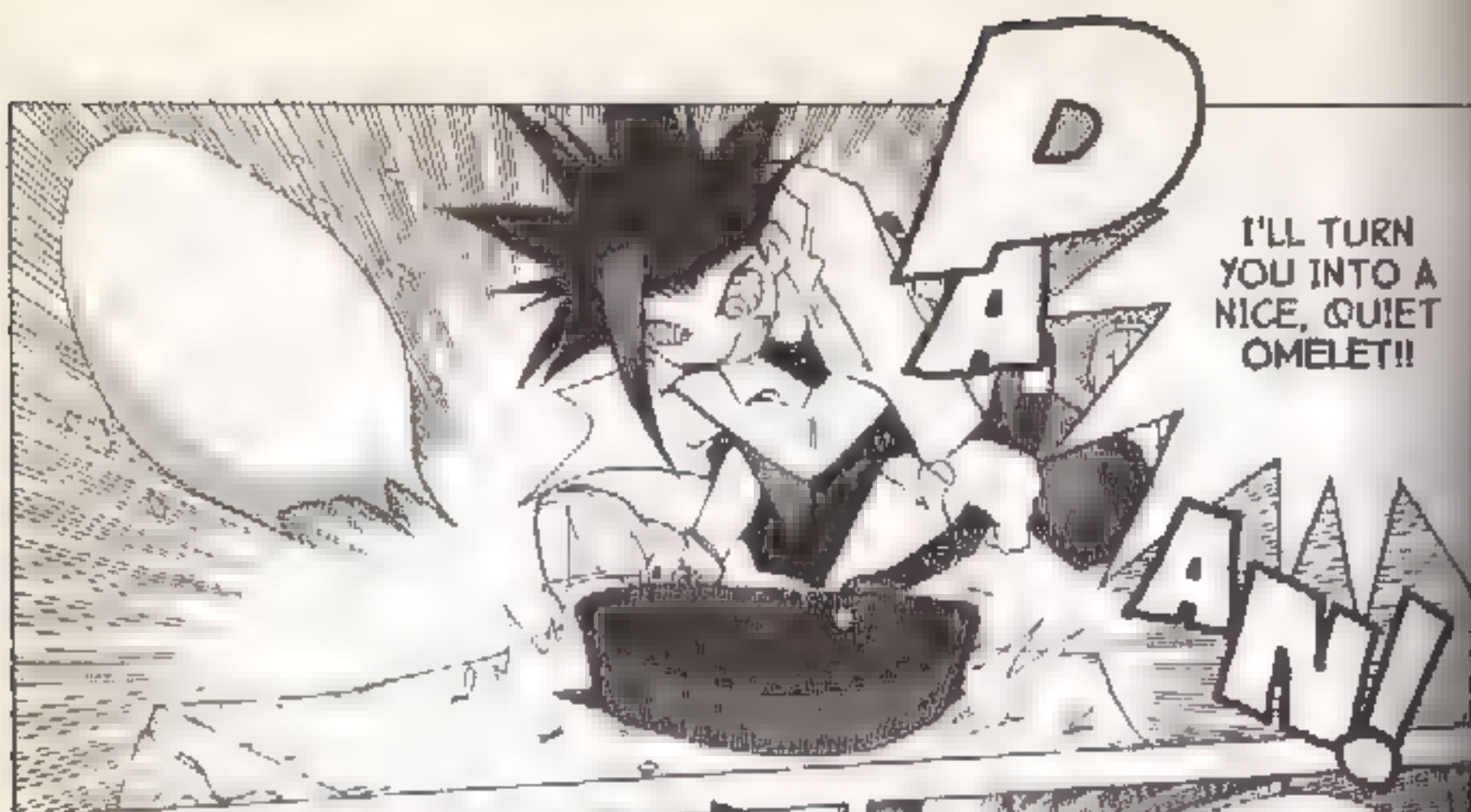
BLOW!

WRRRRRR!







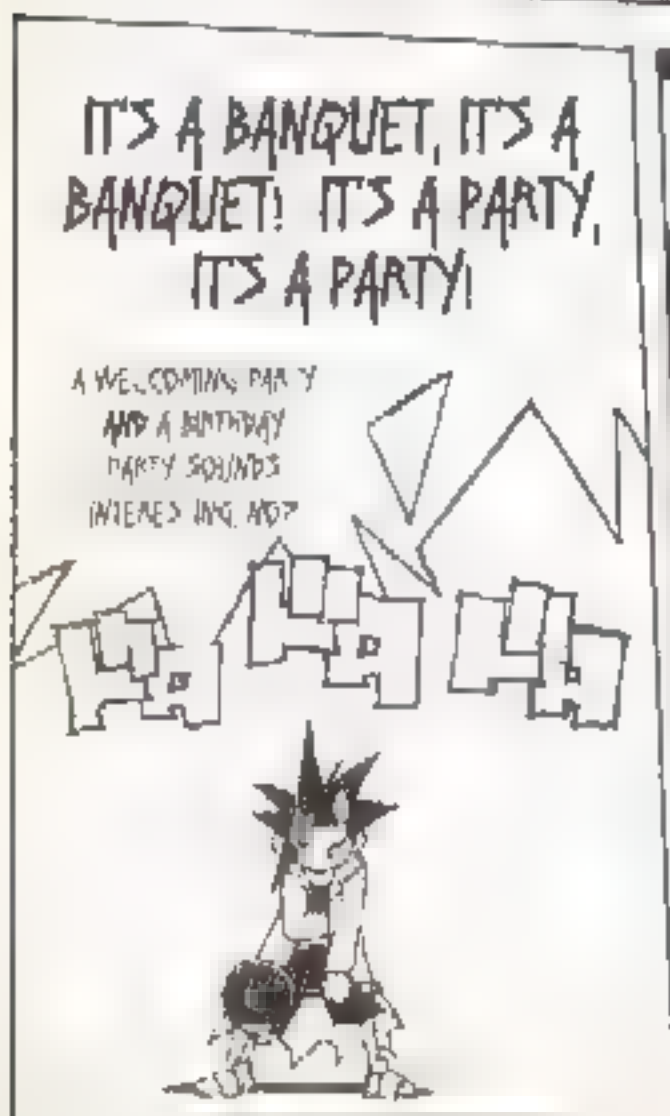
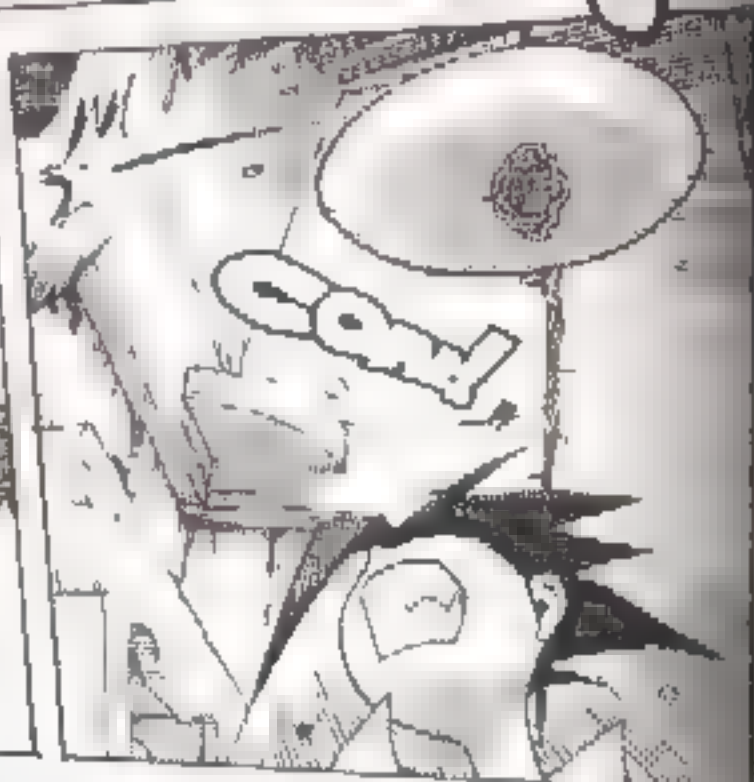


I'LL TURN
YOU INTO A
NICE, QUIET
OMELET!!



WHAT THE?
SOME
WELCOME
THIS IS

KYAH!



IT'S A BANQUET, IT'S A
BANQUET! IT'S A PARTY,
IT'S A PARTY!

A WELCOMING PARTY
AND A BIRTHDAY
PARTY SOUNDS
INTERESTING, HUH?

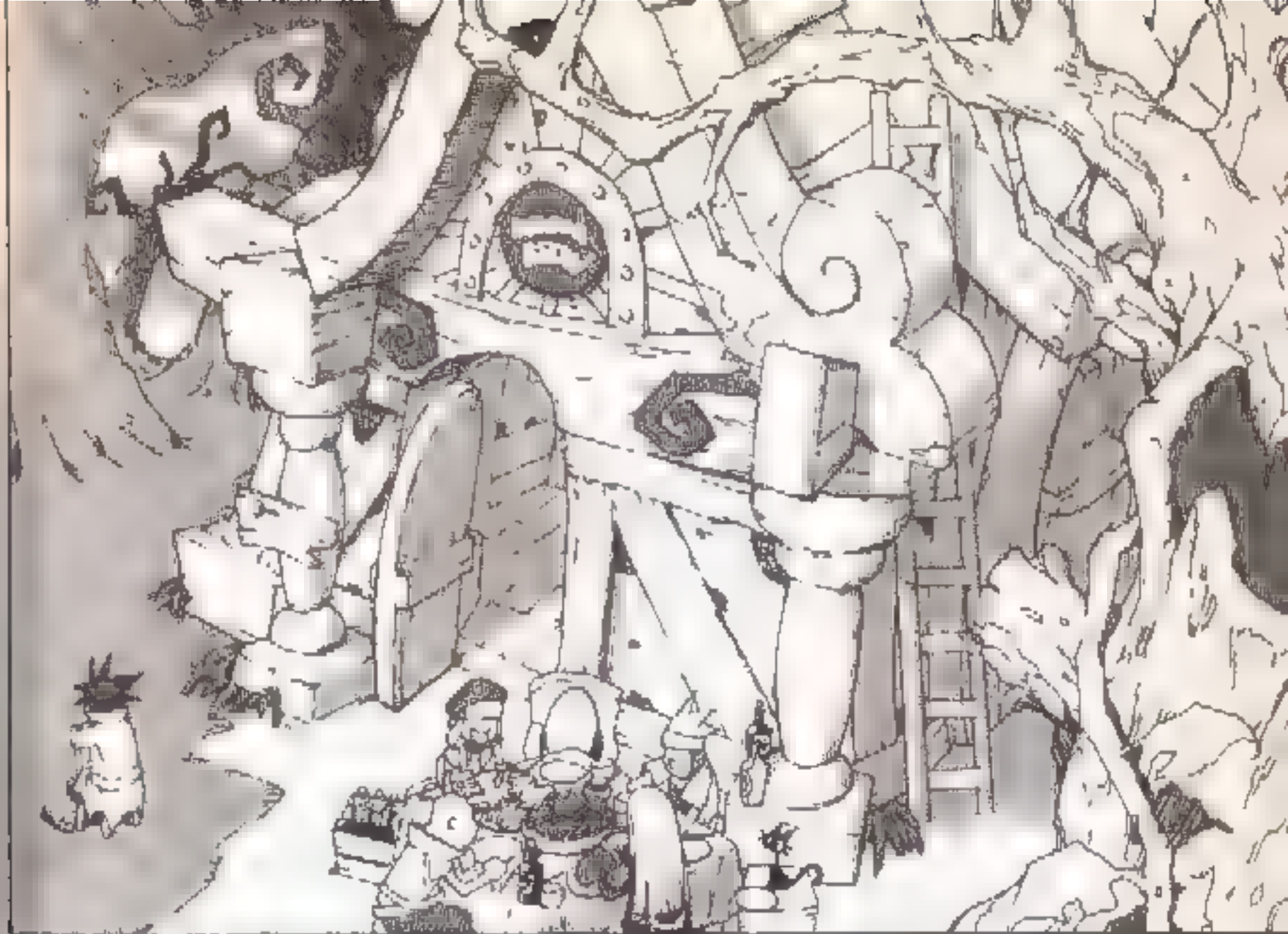


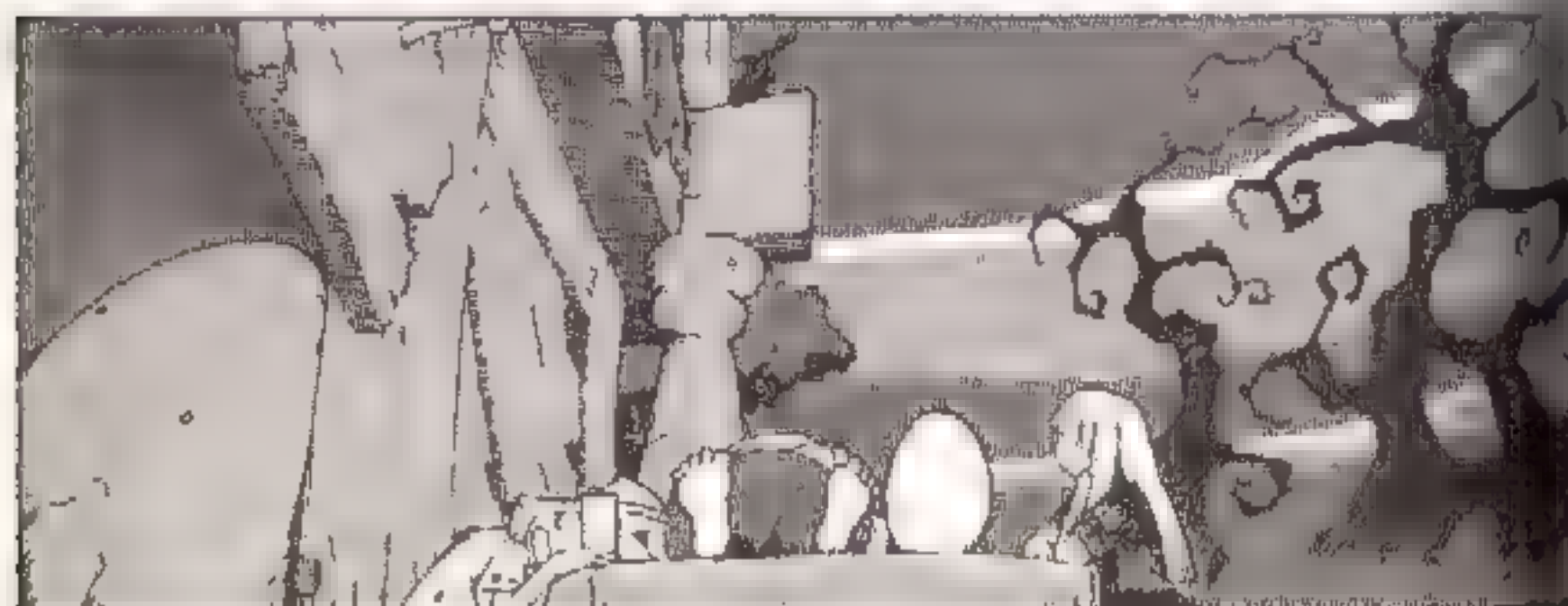
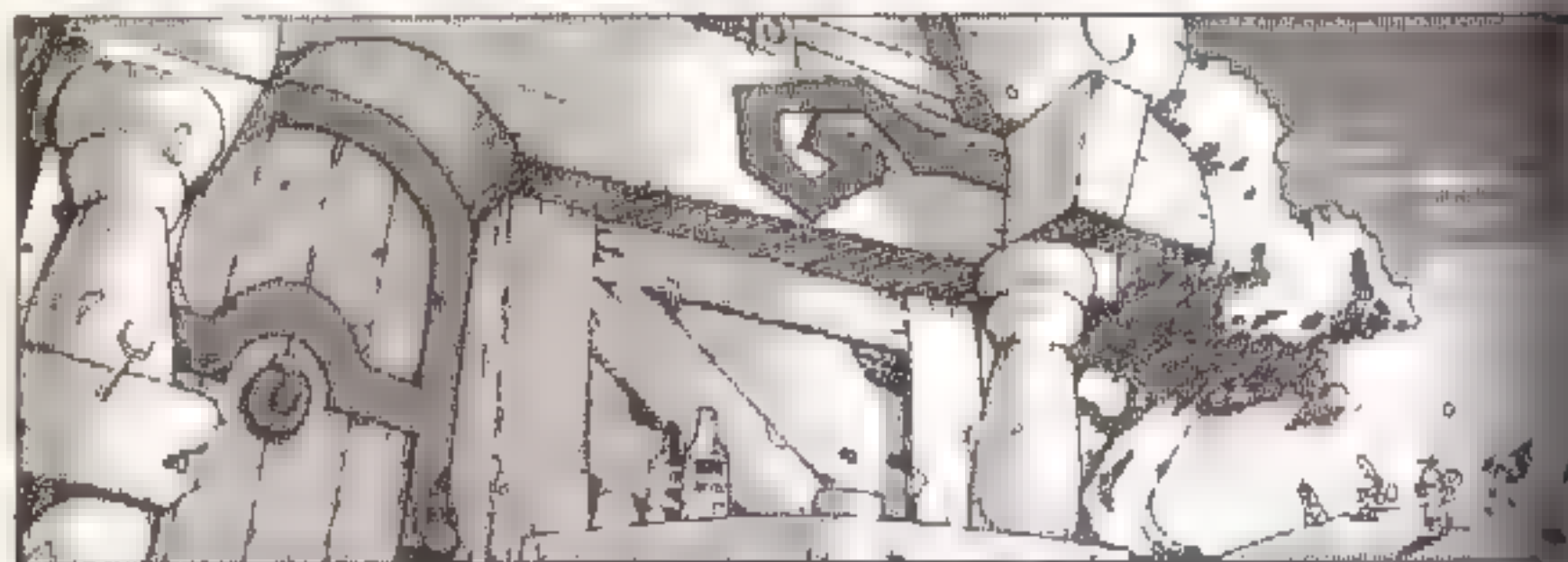
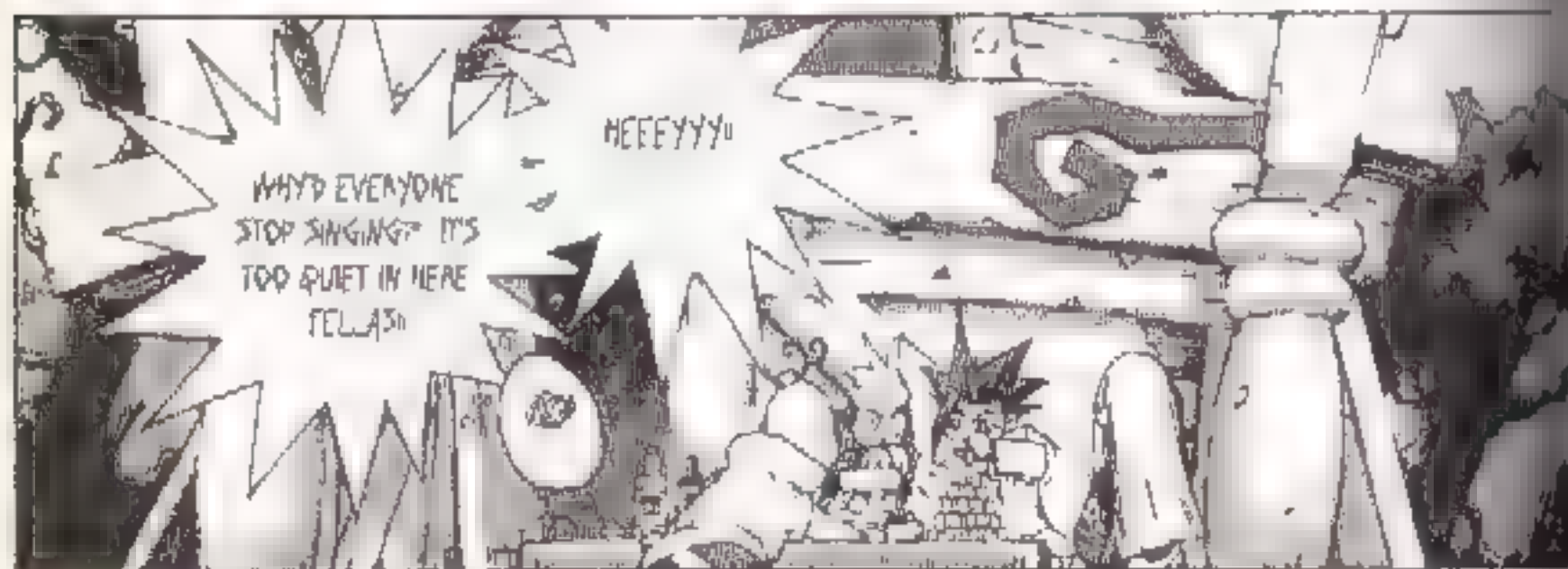
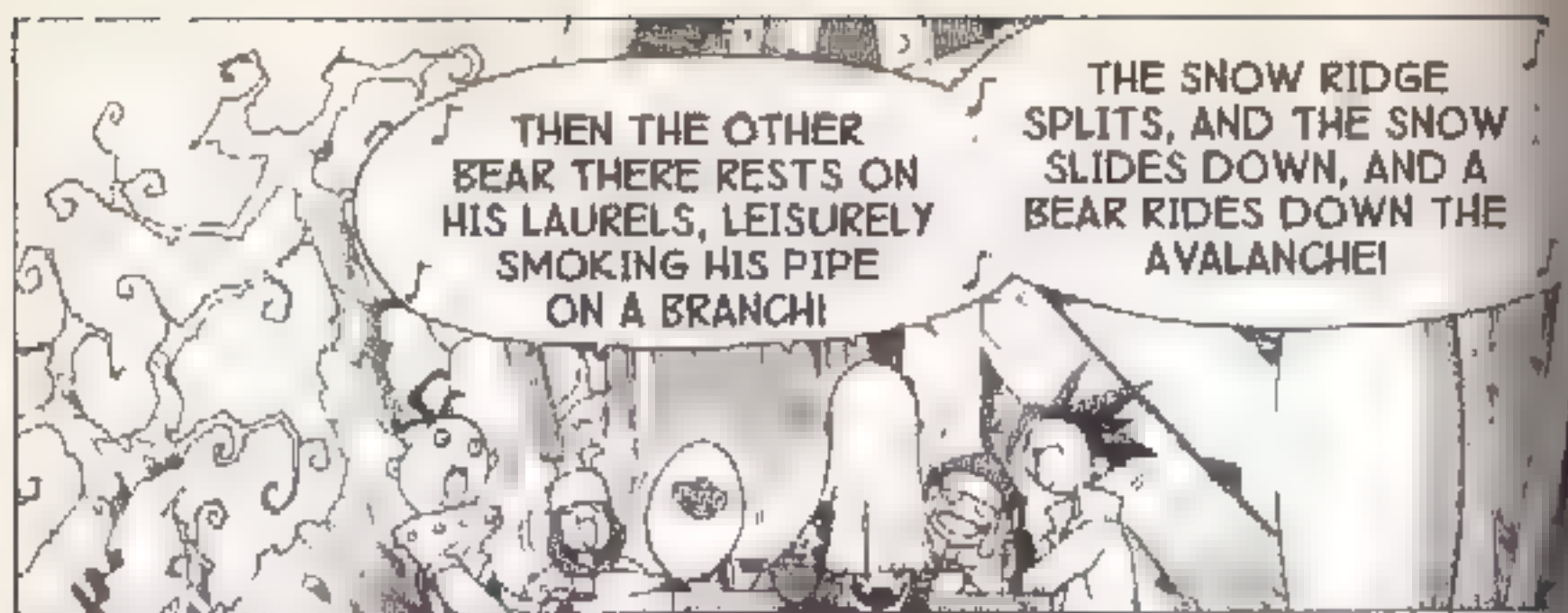
BANQUET,
HUH?

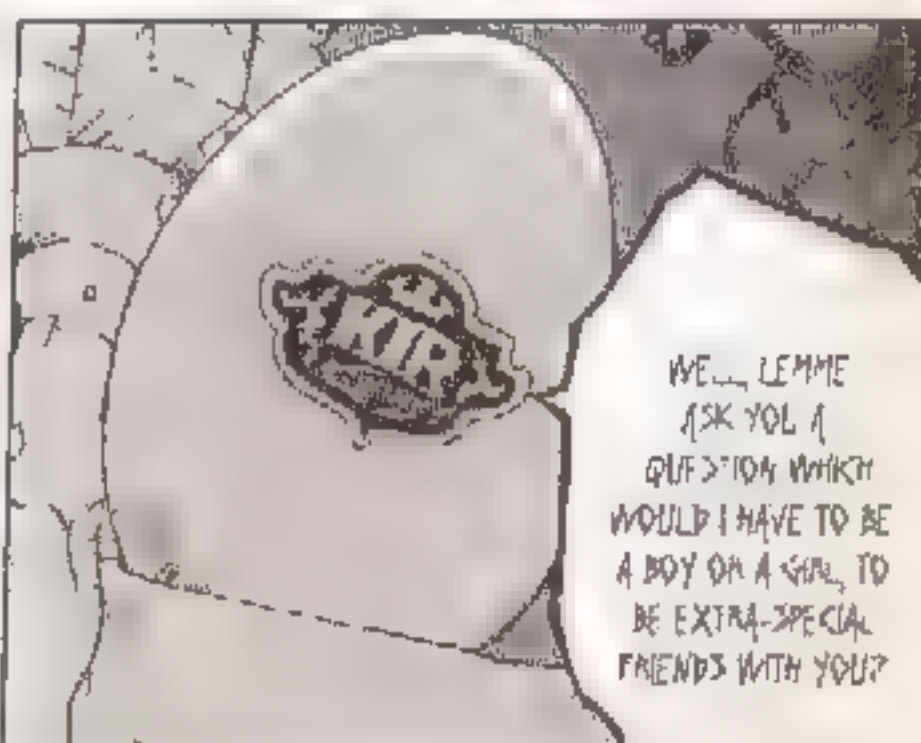
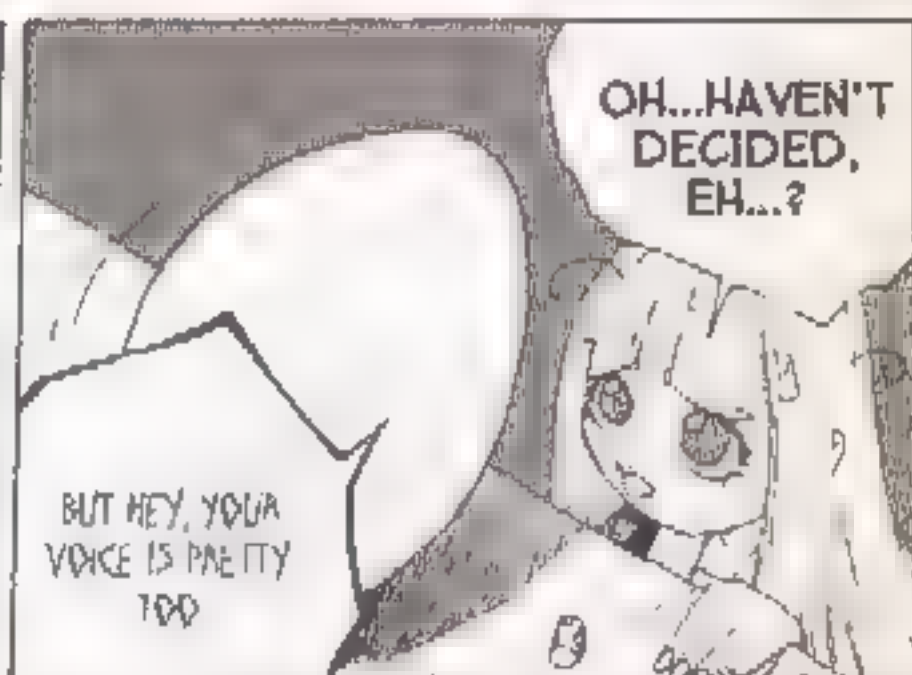
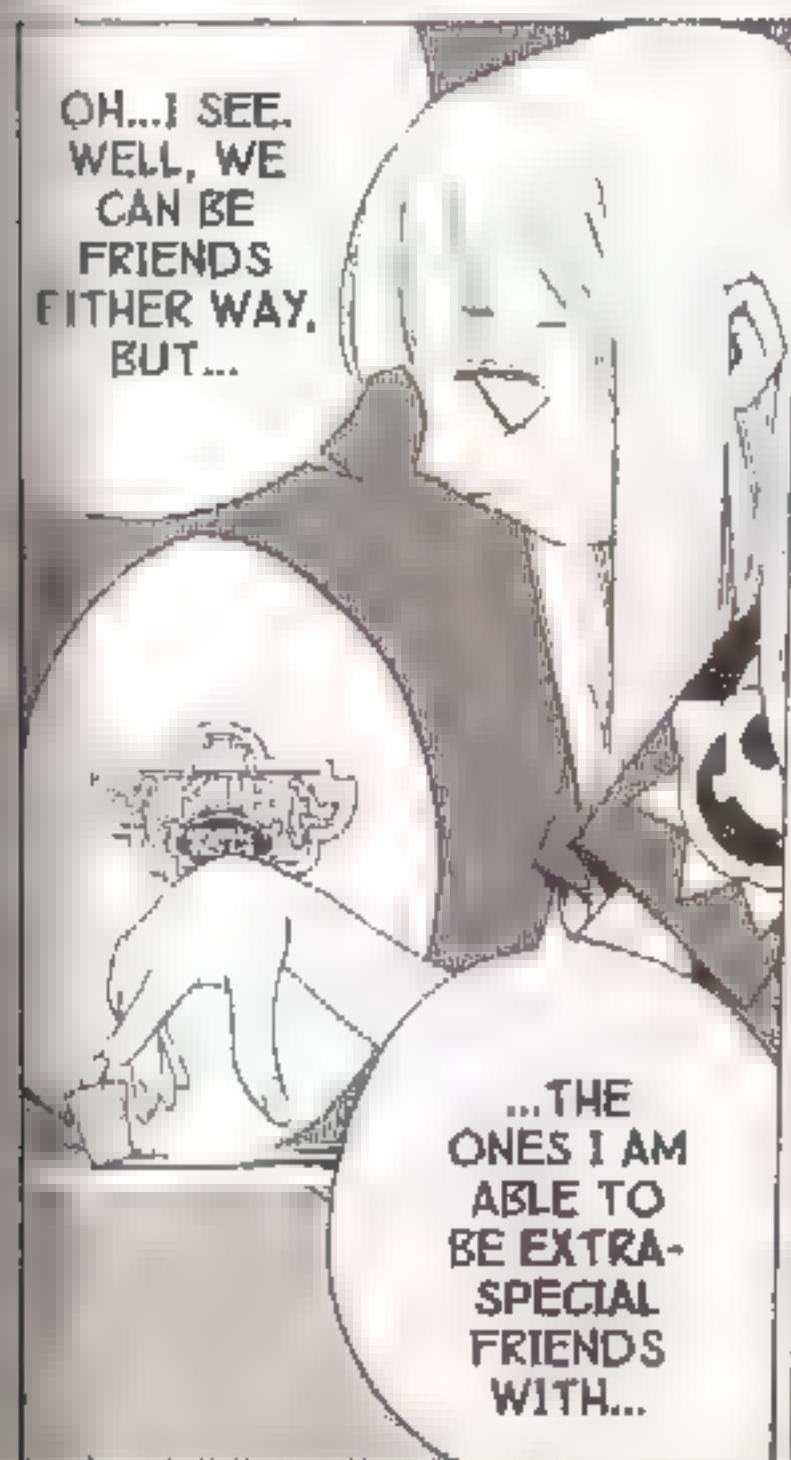
PARTY...
HUH...?



HAVE TO SAY
GUESTS ALWAYS
PREFER A MORE
GENIAL WELCOME
THAN THIS PARTIES
WORK NICELY, AS
DO DELICIOUS
BANQUETS








THAT DOES IT
THEN I'LL BE A
BOY ANIMAL!

...ARE
BOYS. I
GUESS...

HUH
- 3


RIGHT!
SHOW ME
YOUR HAND,
THEN!!!

!




HAVEN'T YOU HEARD? A PERP'S BEEN KIDNAPPING FEMALES IN THIS AREA!! IT'S SAID THAT HIS ARM, FROM THE ELBOW DOWN, IS COMPLETELY WOODEN...

Glad people are saying it's the legends of the forest really




I'D HEARD TELL OF AN UNUSUAL HOUSE WHERE THE ONLY GIRL LEFT IN THE VILLAGE SPENT ALL HER TIME... SO IT WAS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE I FOUND IT.

THAT'S WHY YOU'RE HERE TOO, ISN'T IT, YOUNG MISTER? YOU MAY AS WELL WRITE "CRIMINAL" ON YOUR FOREHEAD.

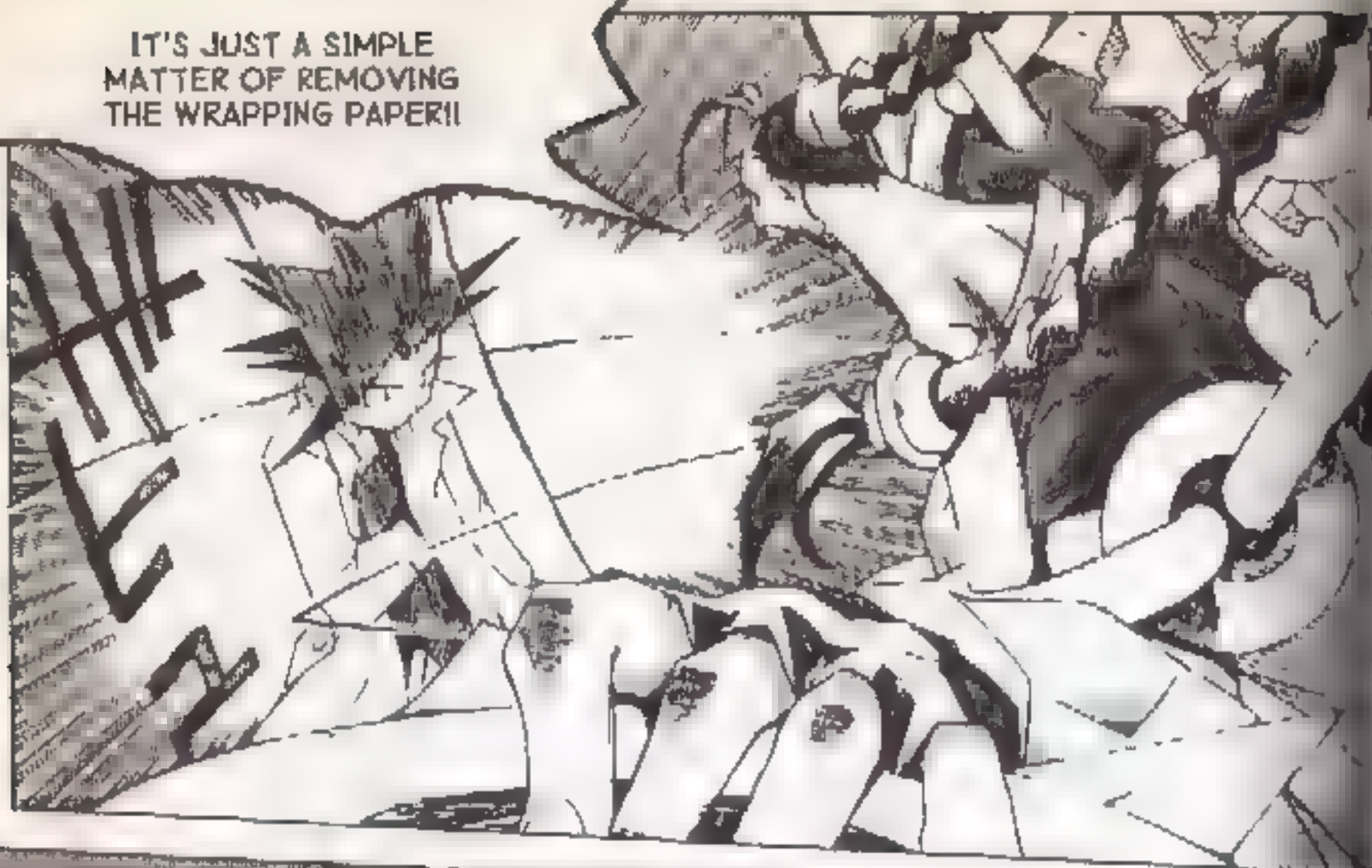


.. WELL, NO MATTER. IF YOU DON'T WANT TO TAKE IT OUT...



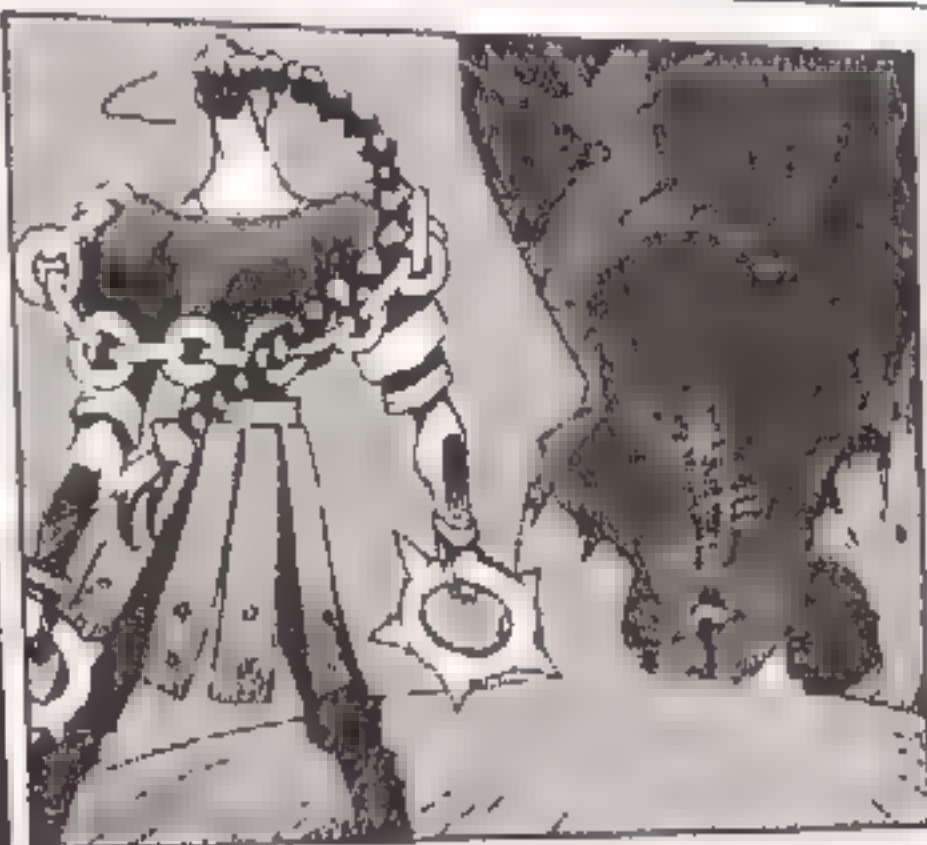
SO, I'M TELLING YOU TO TAKE YOUR RIGHT HAND FROM YOUR BOSOM AND PRESENT IT TO ME!!

IT'S JUST A SIMPLE
MATTER OF REMOVING
THE WRAPPING PAPER!!



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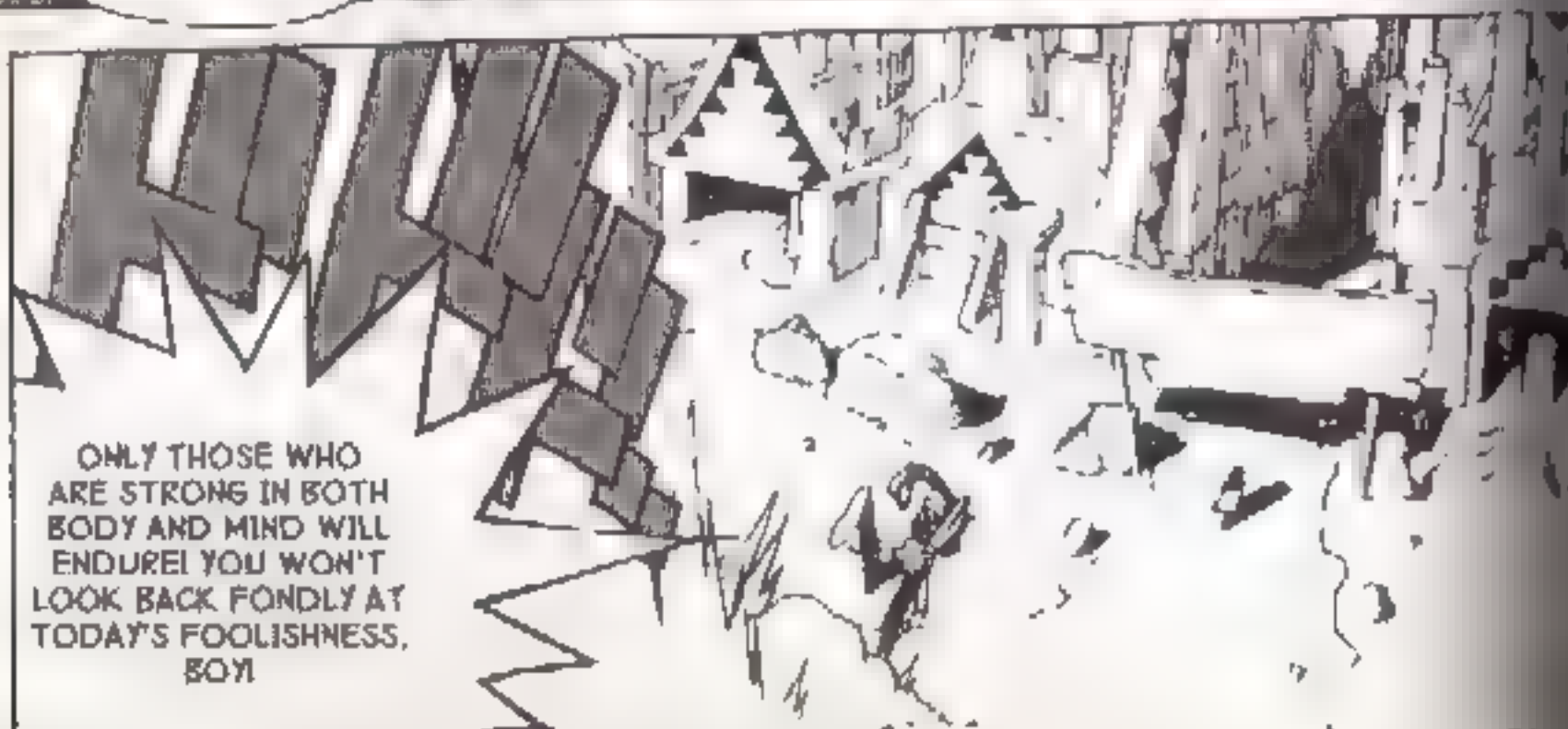
SO...THAT
BRAT THINKS
I'M A MERE
POLICEMAN,
DOES HE?

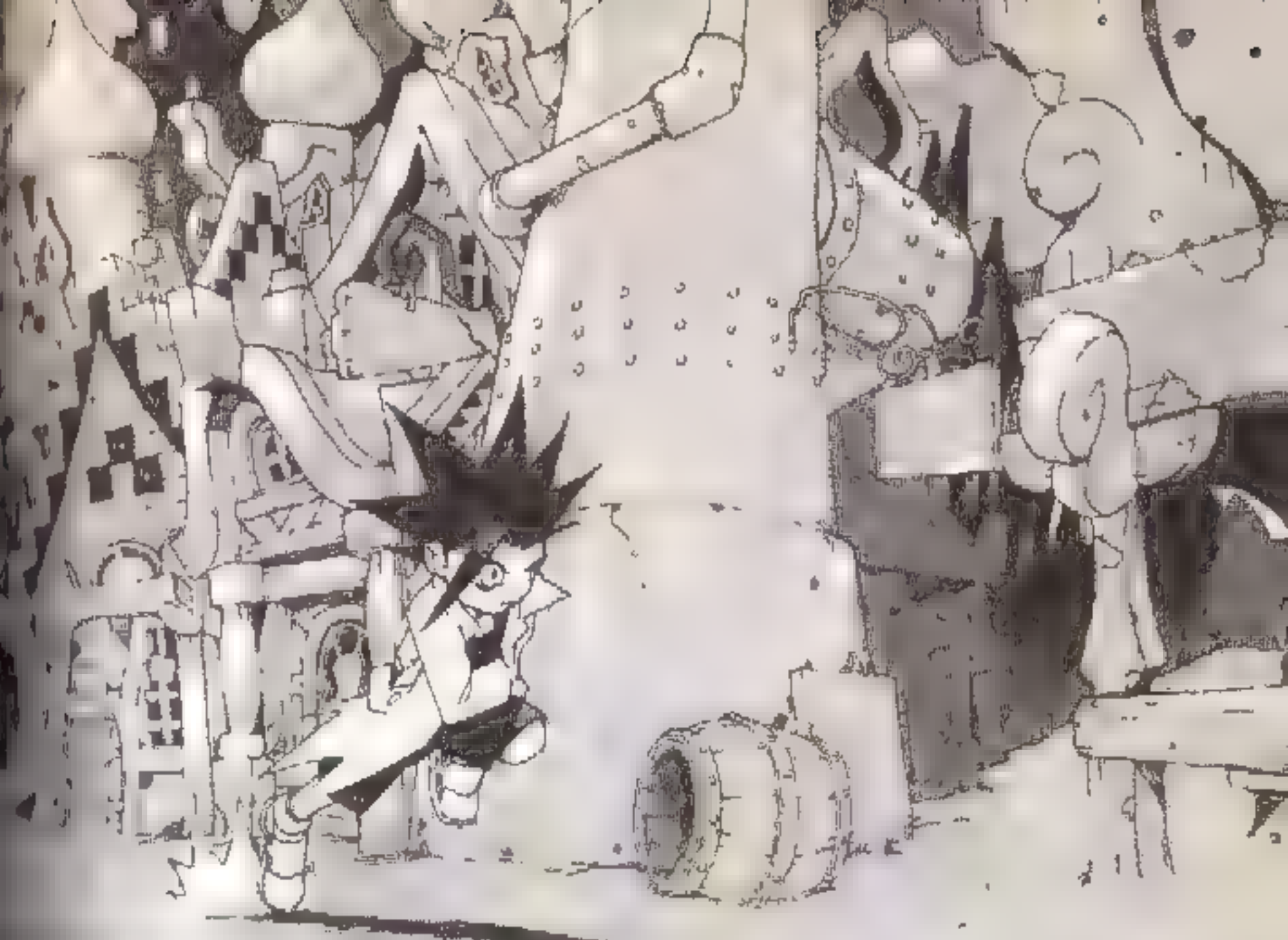
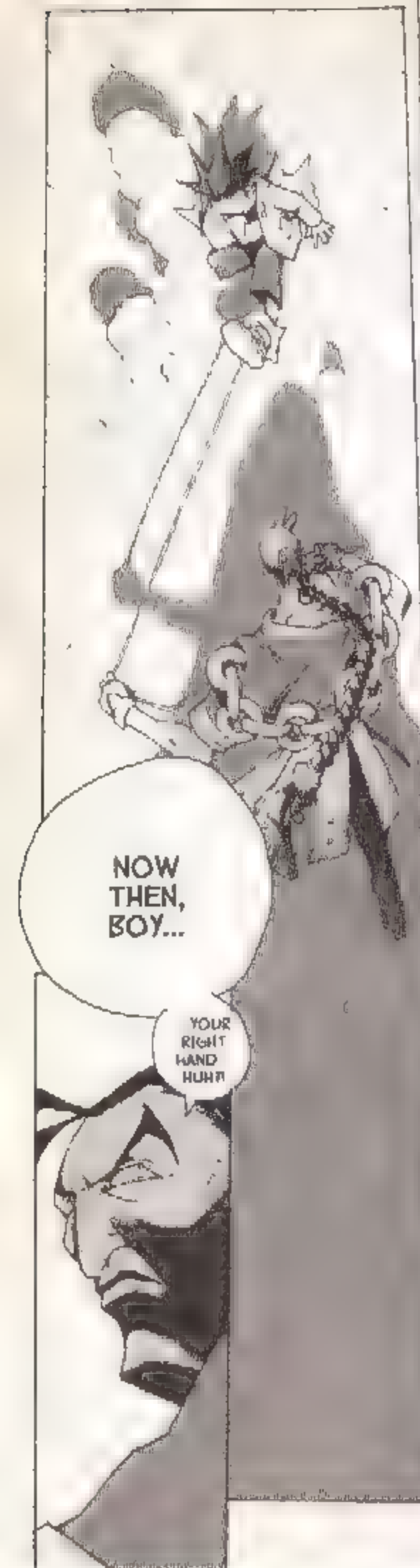


!!?



ONLY THOSE WHO
ARE STRONG IN BOTH
BODY AND MIND WILL
ENDURE! YOU WON'T
LOOK BACK FONDLY AT
TODAY'S FOOLISHNESS,
BOY!





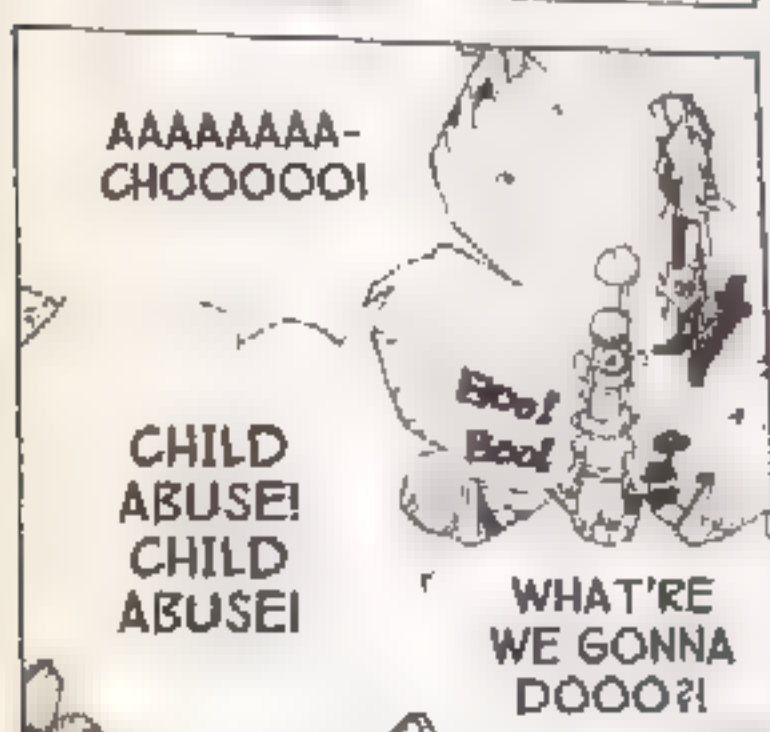
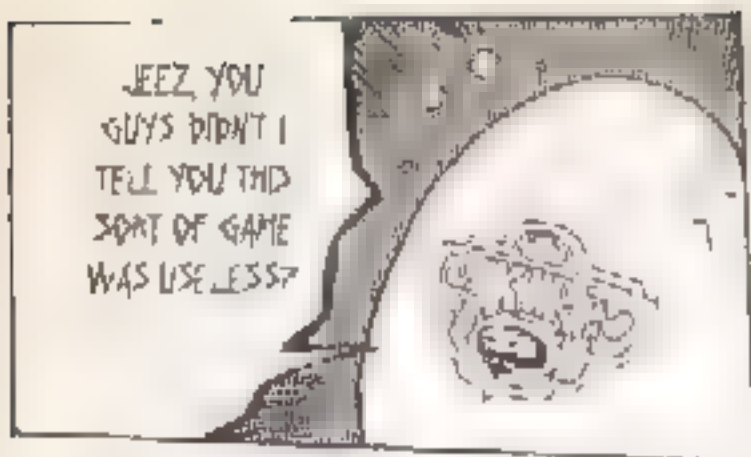
HMPH...VERY
WELL THEN,
TRY!! BUT I
WARN YOU,
I'LL RUIN YOUR
STOMACH...

HUH?!

RELEEE
EASE...
THAT
CHILD!!

IF...
YOU...DO
NOT...I'LL
EAT YOU
UUUU-
UPPP...

DORA-
AAAA!



O...OLD F-
FOOL...?!

YOU'RE
RIGHT
YOU'RE
NOT JUST
A MERE
POLICE
MAN.
YOU'RE
AN OLD
FOOL,
TOO!!

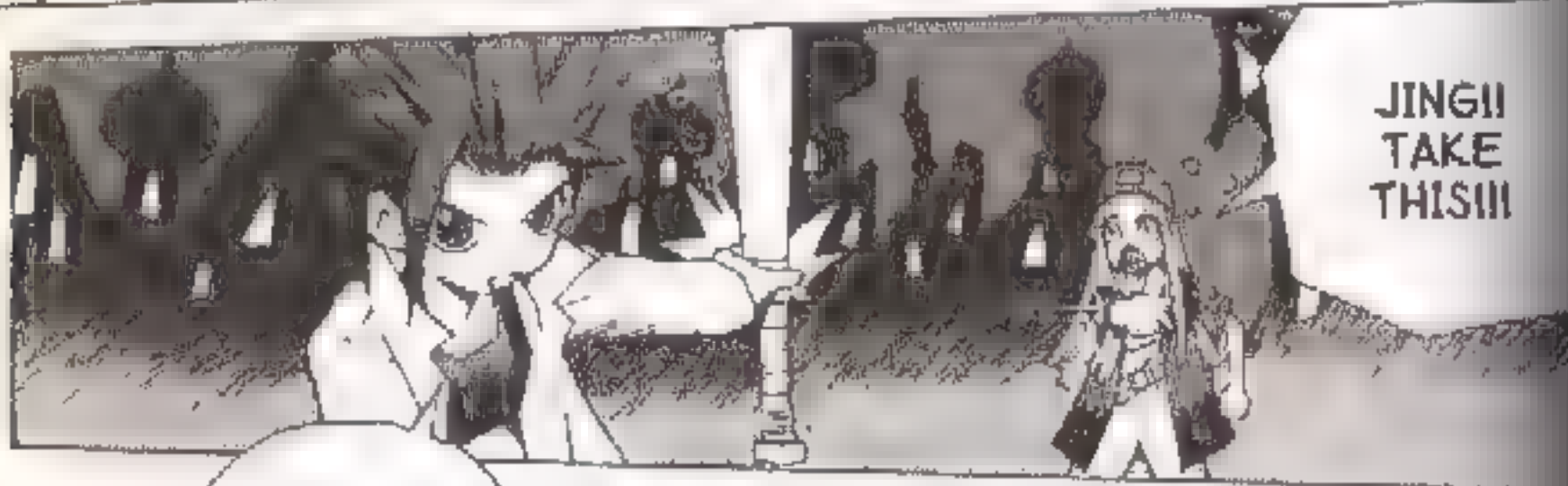
...OR PUBLIC
DOODY...

...WHETHER
PUBLIC
DUTY...

THERE'S A
SAYING,
YOU SEE...



**...YOU'RE
IN FOR A
CRAPPY
DAY!**



**JINGII
TAKE
THIS!!!**



**YOU
SEE,
THIS...**



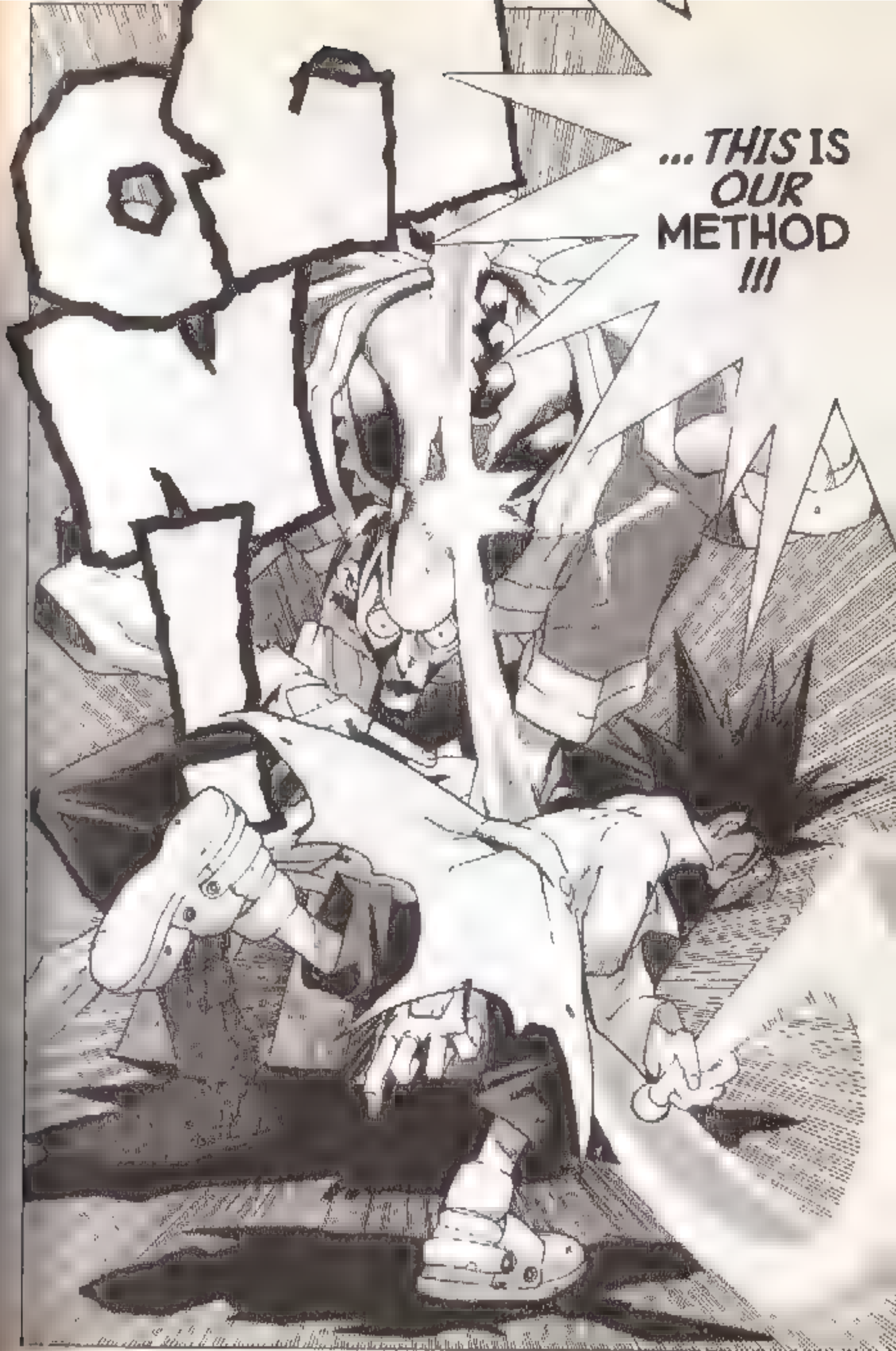
**EY AMDE ME UP HIGH
FA WOULD JA I CAN'T
SEE ANYTHING!**

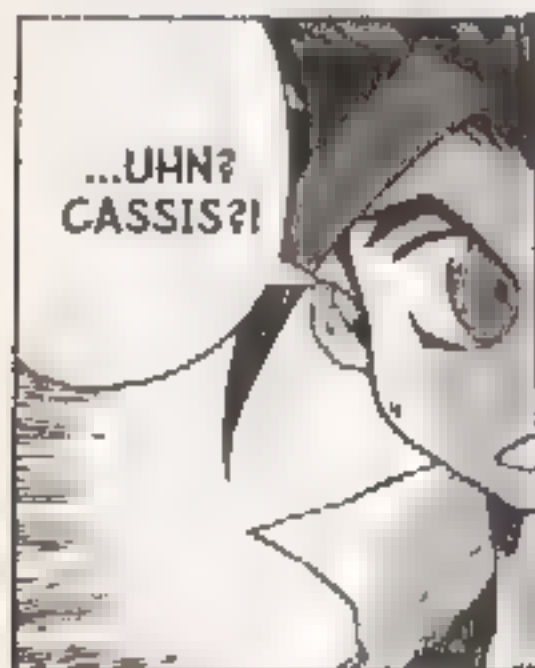
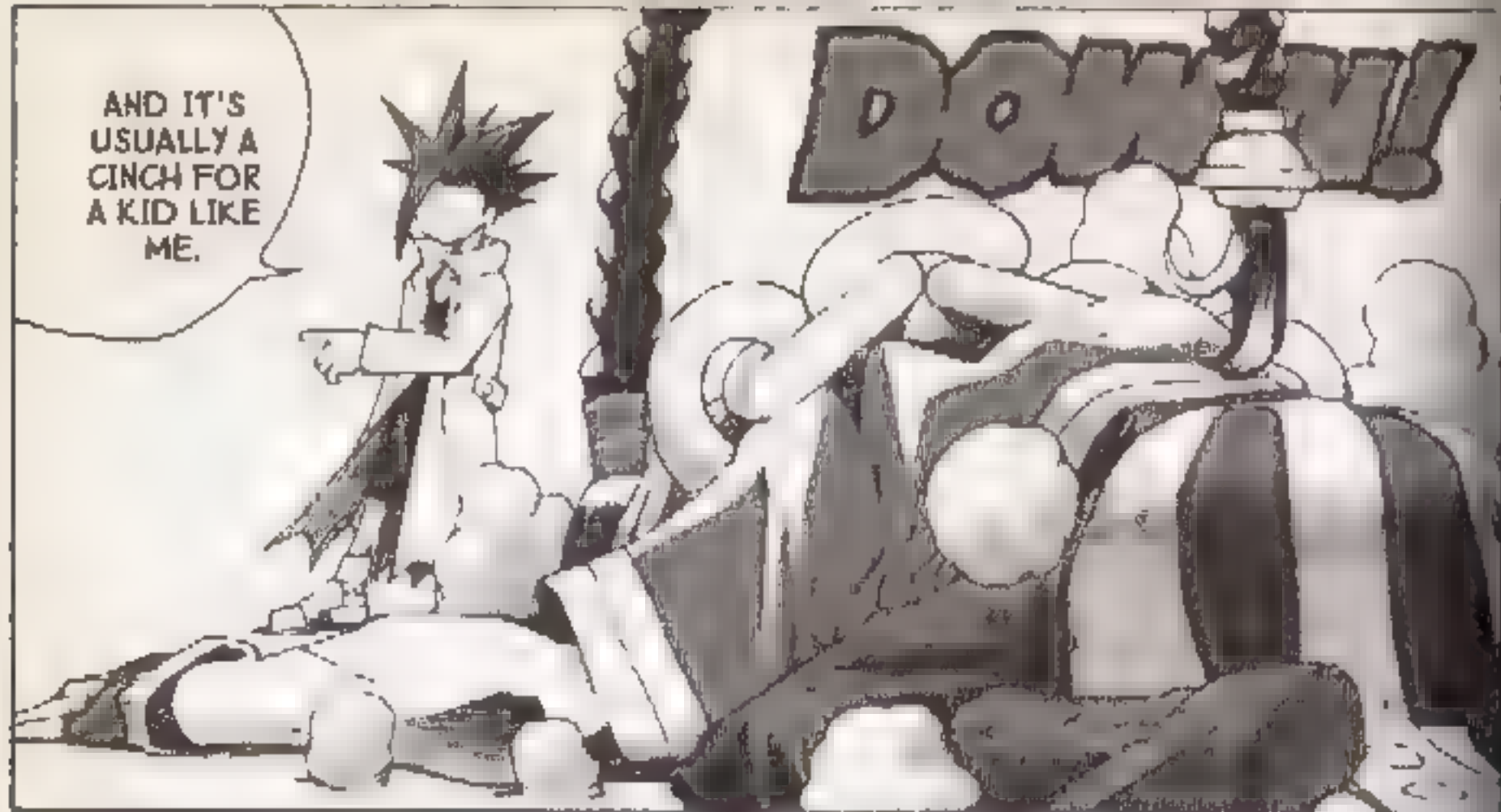
**WAAH!
WAAH!**

**RAT-
TAT-
TAT-
TAT-
TAT.**

**GO
FOR IT
BROTHER!
GET 'IM!**

**...THIS IS
OUR
METHOD
!!!**







GIRLS MORE THAN BOYS
CHILDREN MORE THAN ADULTS
LONELINESS MORE THAN CROWDS
SIDE STREETS MORE THAN MAIN STREETS

A-R-E D-A-N-G-E-R-O-U-S

A MESSAGE SENT OUT INTO THE WORLD BY A MAN



JING: KING OF BANDITS

FOUR

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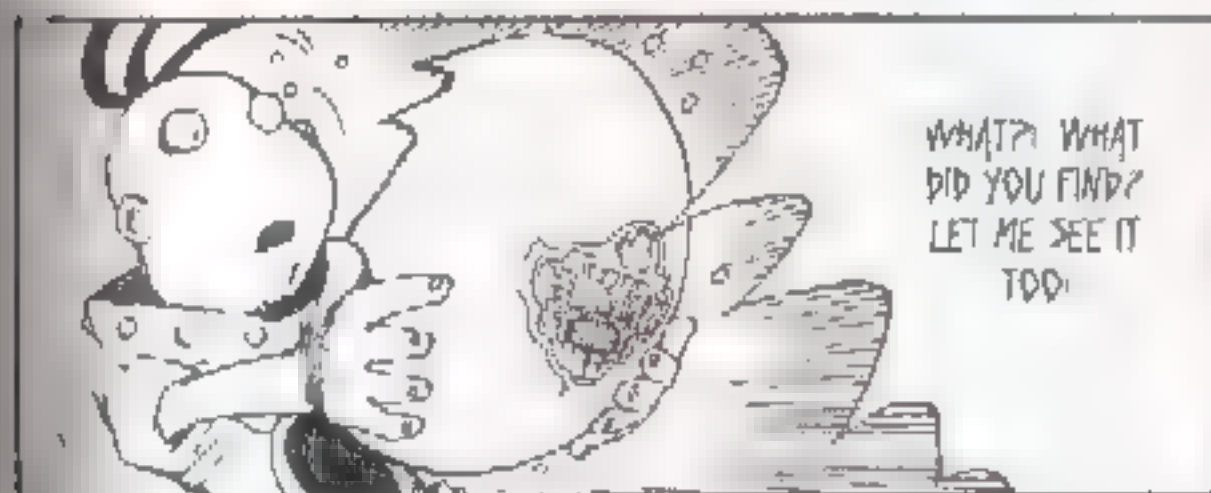
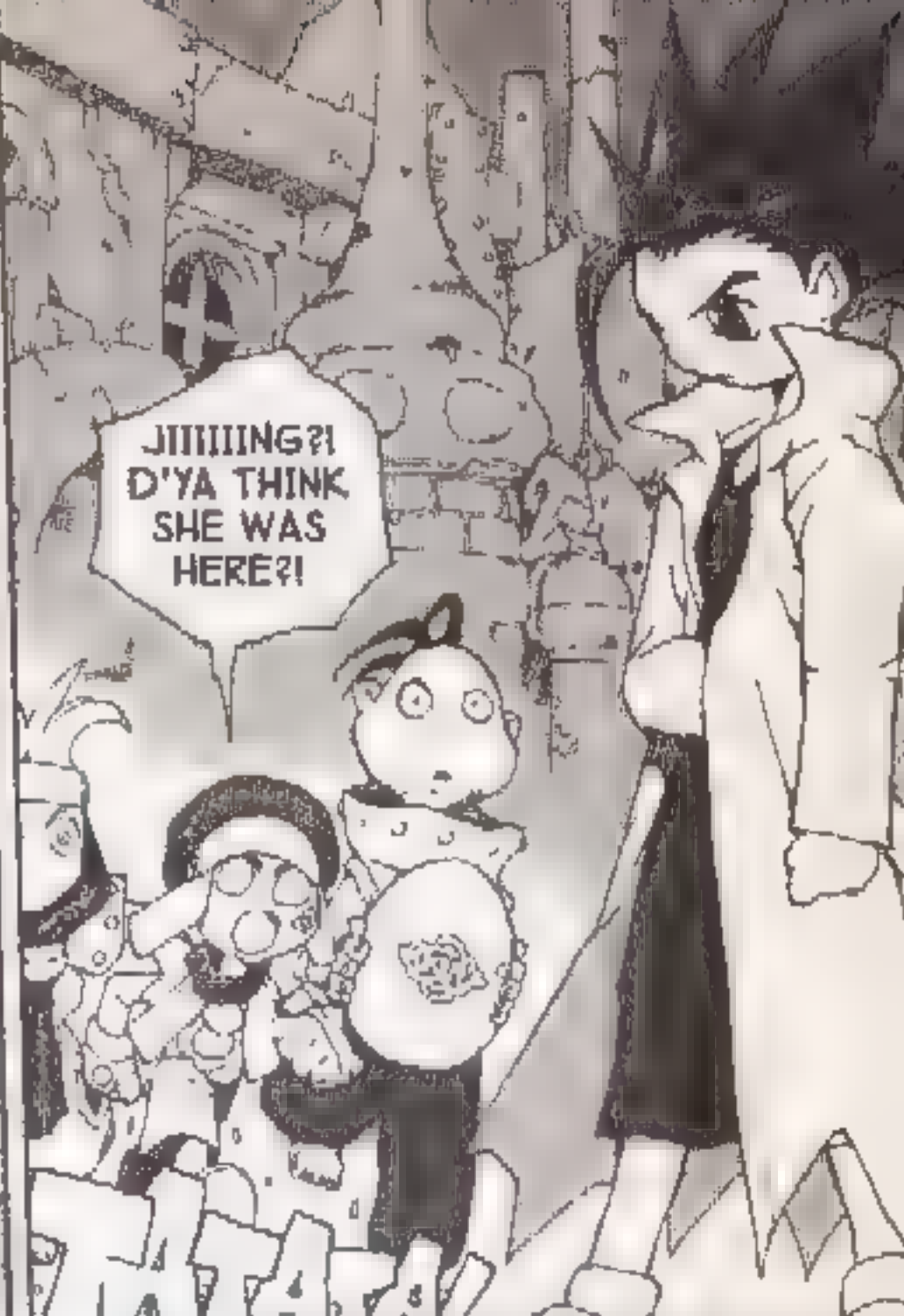
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WHERE
ARE YA?!!

CASSISII

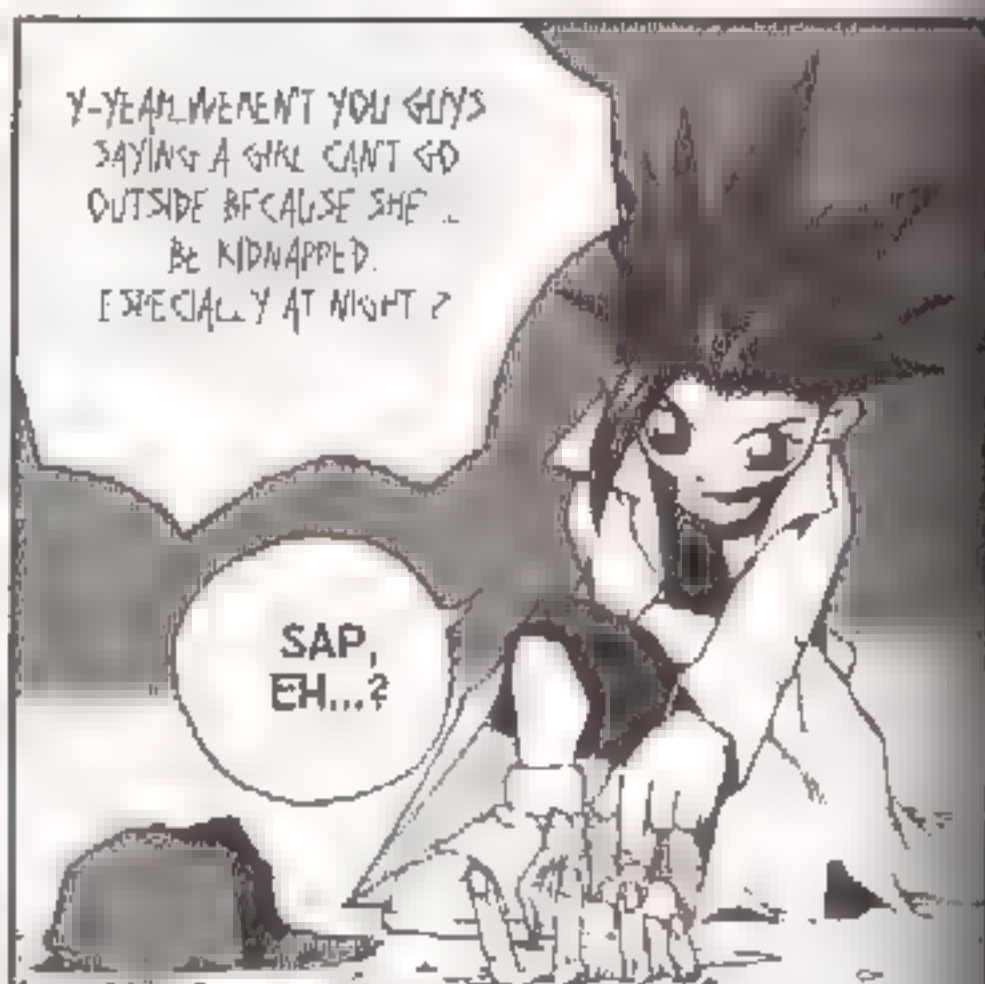




CASSIS'S BEEN
KIDNAPPED...BY
THE FAIRIES OF
THE FOREST!!!



JING?!
IS IT TRUE?
WAS CASSIS
REALLY...?!

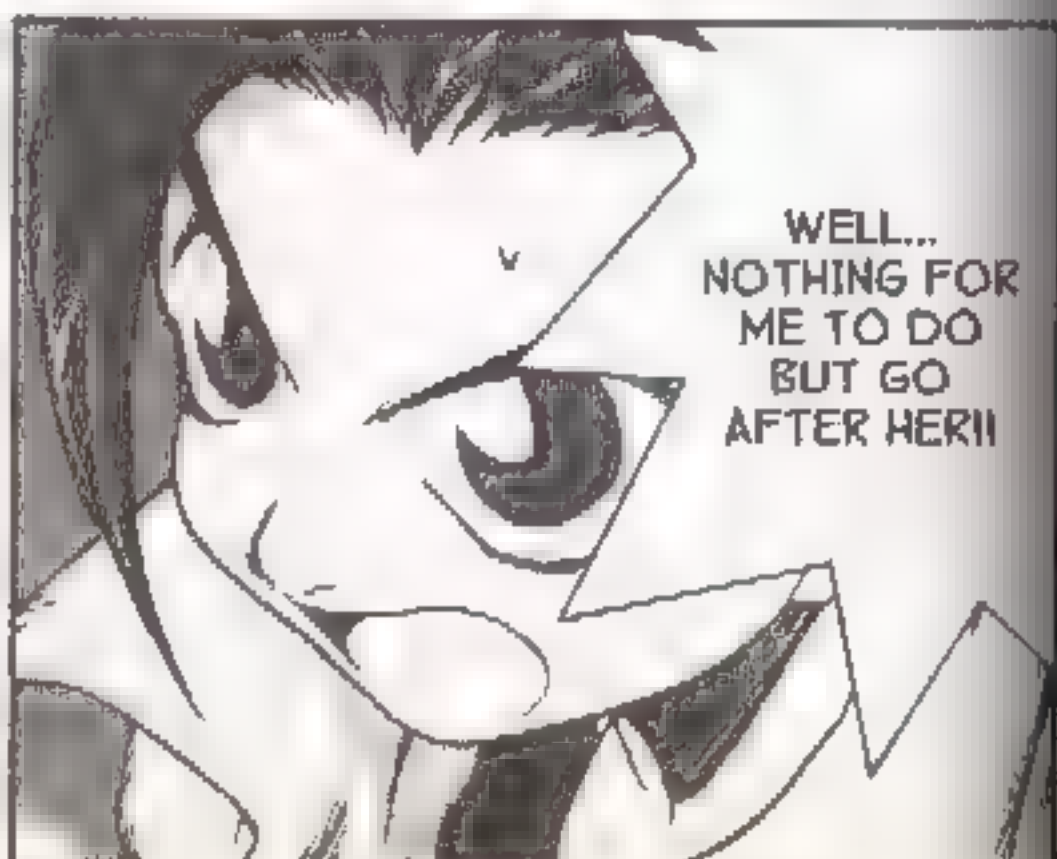


Y-YEAH! WEREN'T YOU GUYS
SAYING A GIRL CAN'T GO
OUTSIDE BECAUSE SHE ...
BE KIDNAPPED.
ESPECIALLY AT NIGHT ?

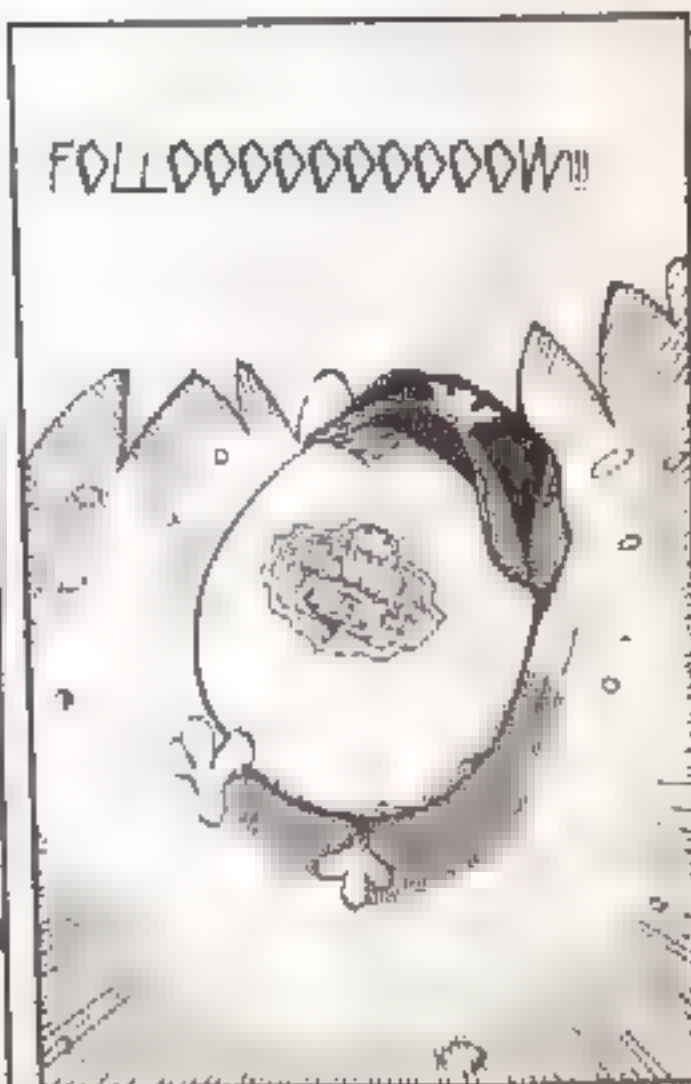
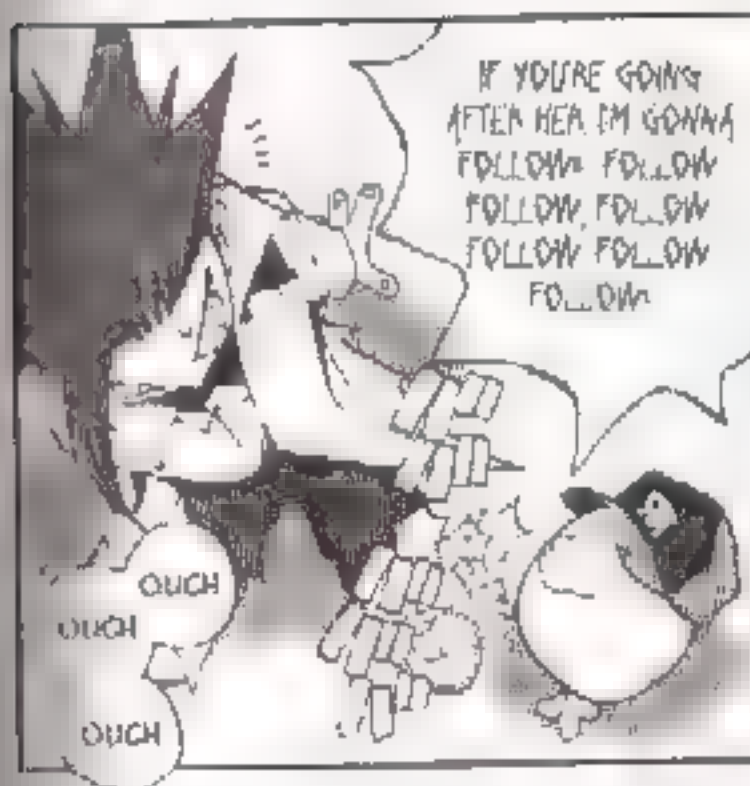
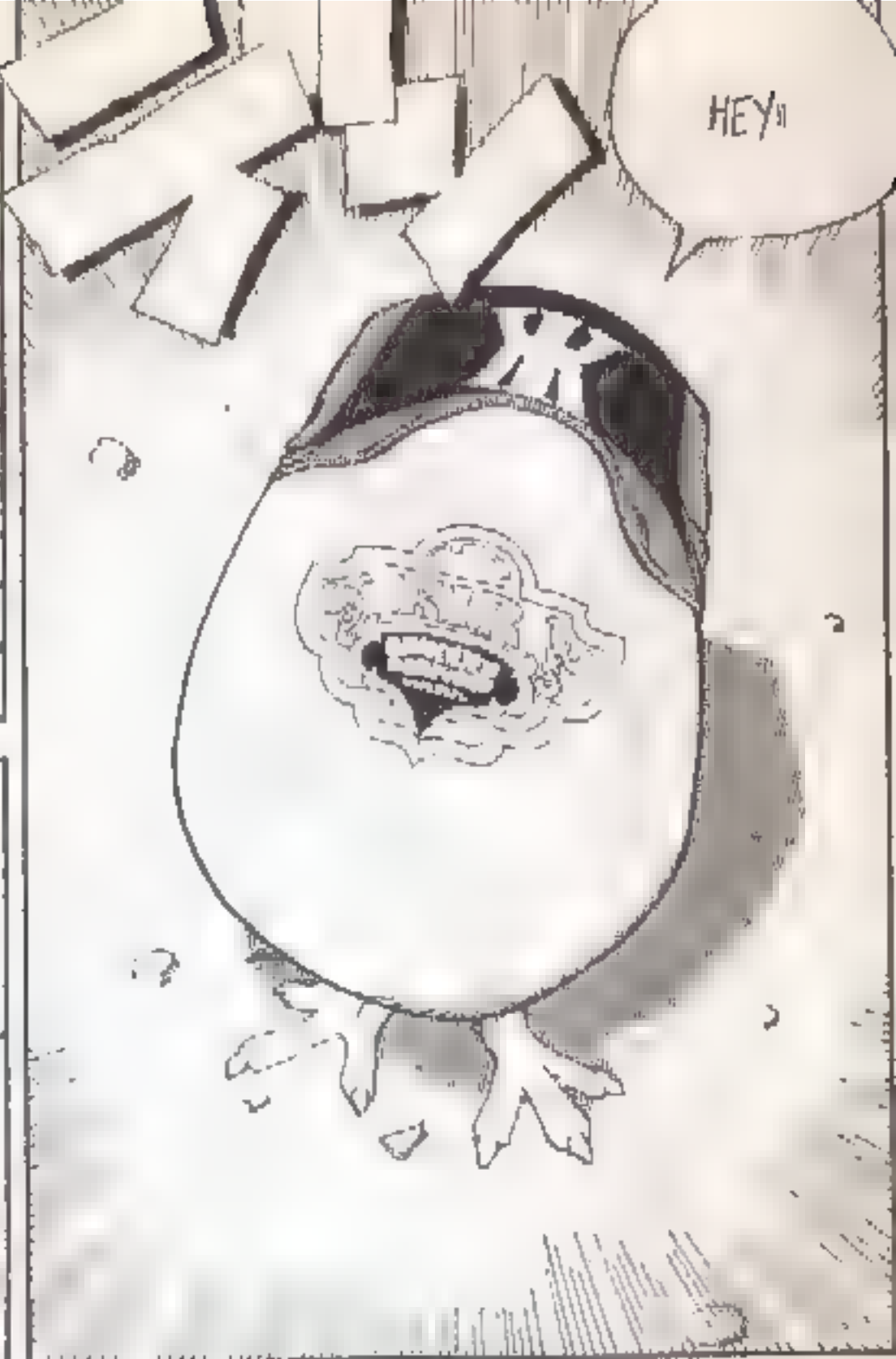
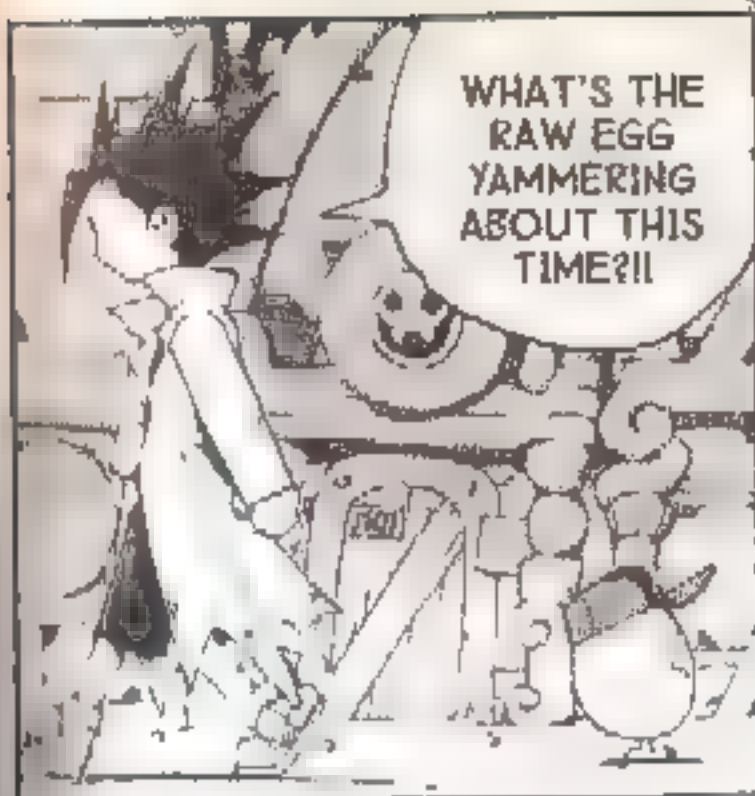
SAP,
EH...?

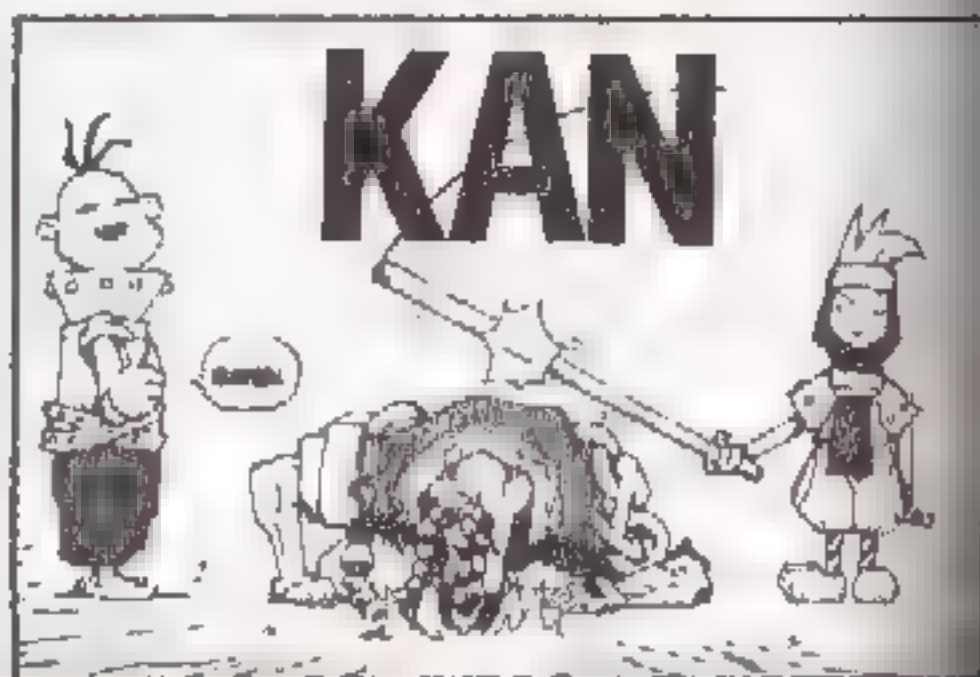
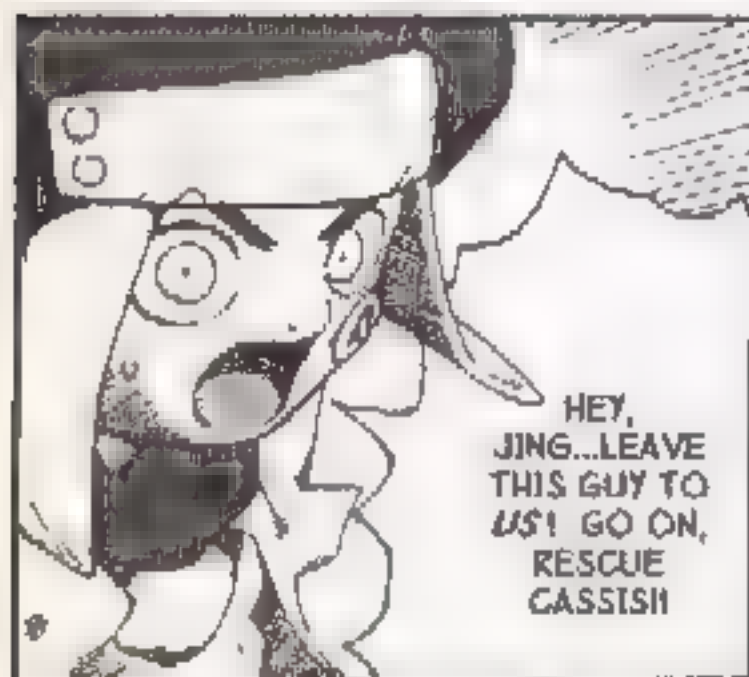


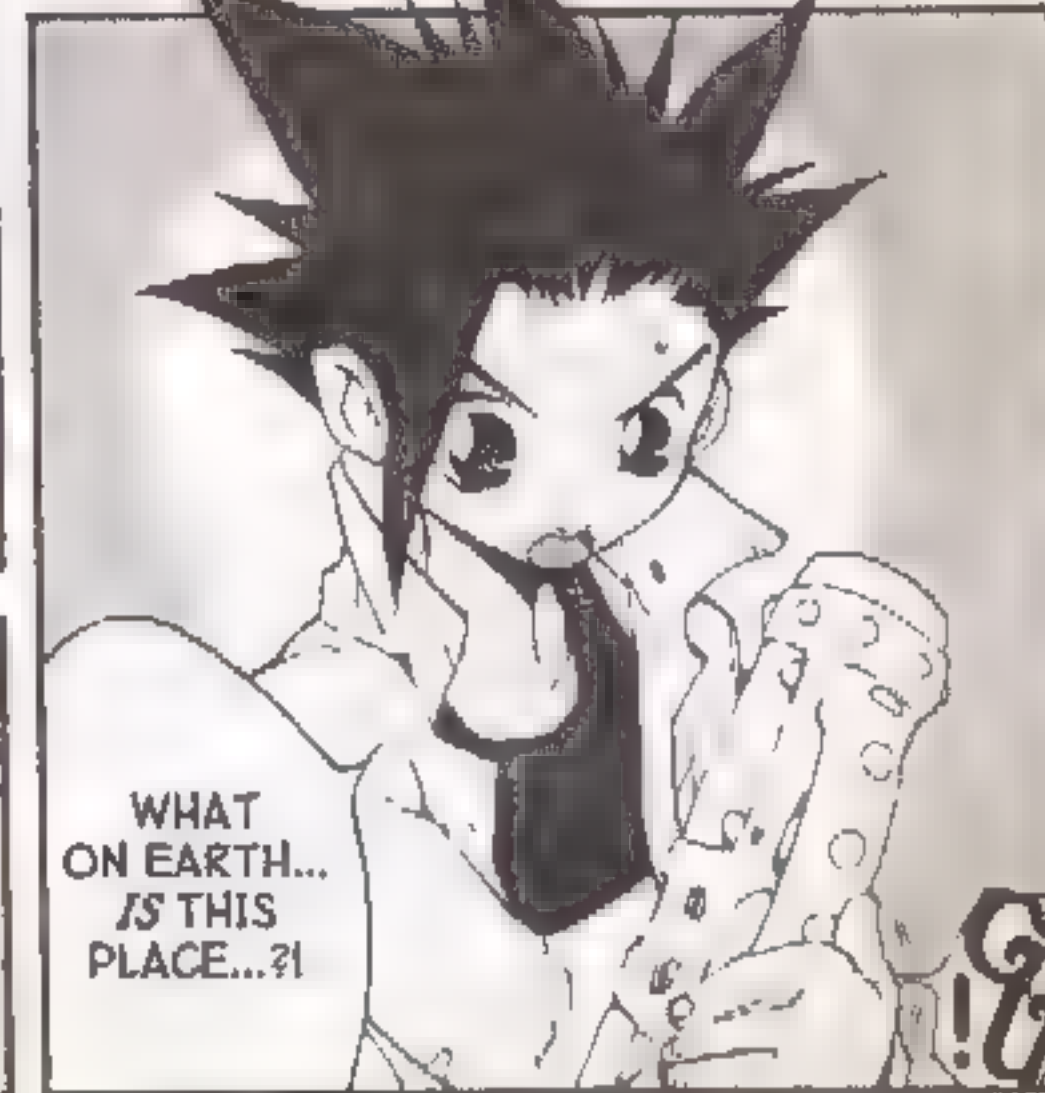
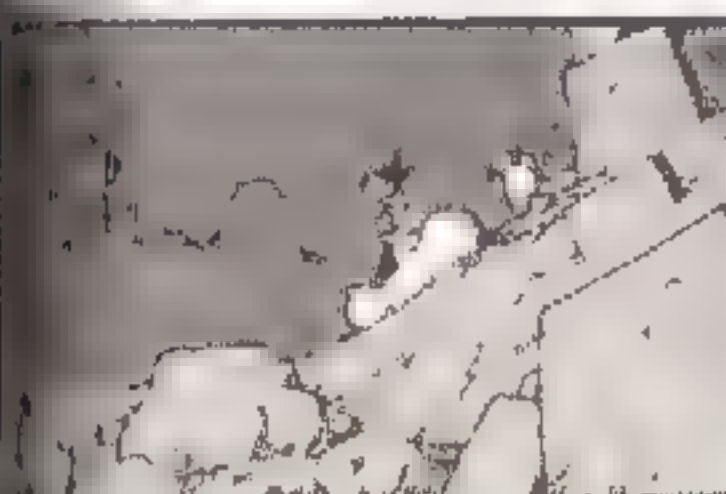
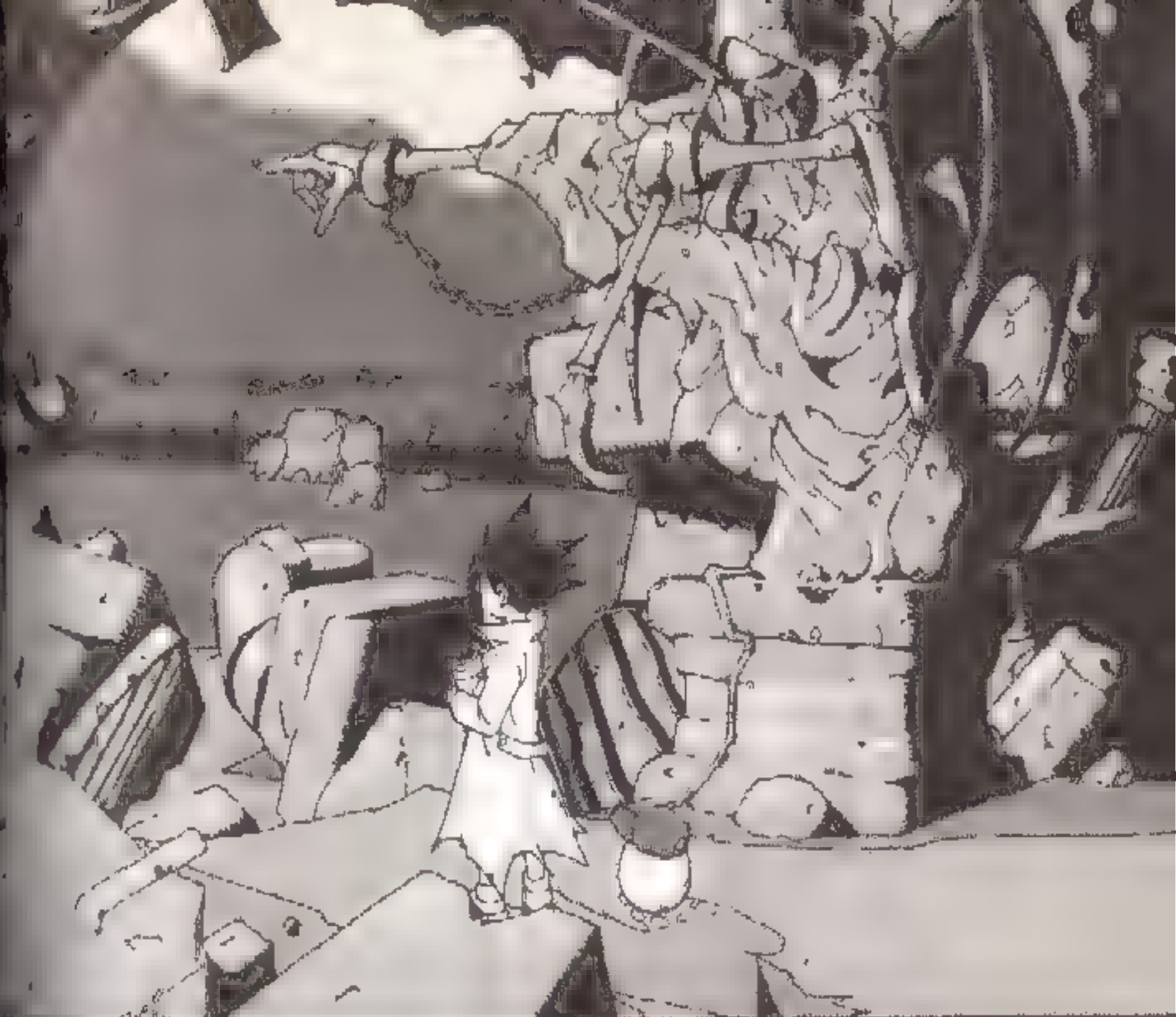
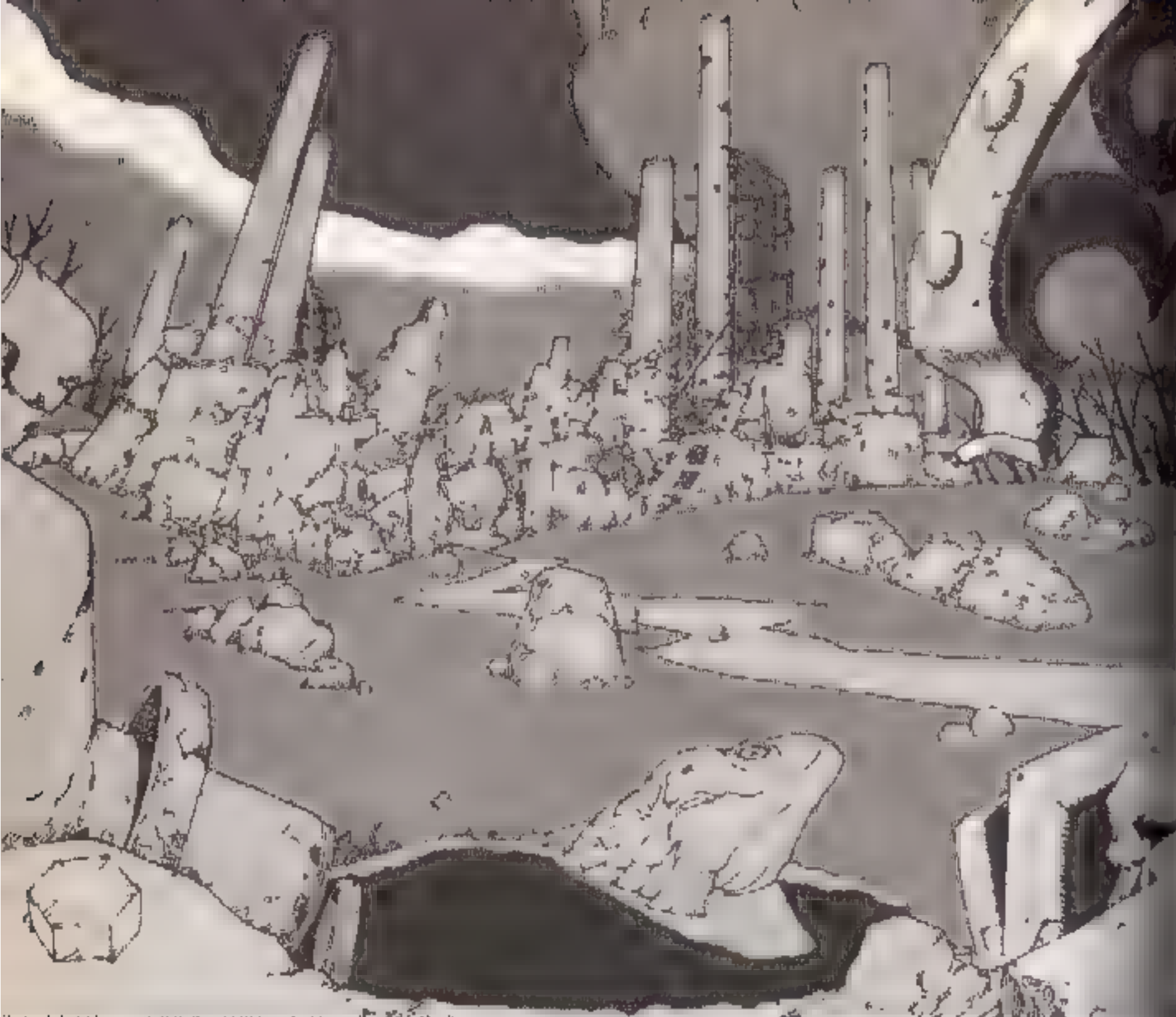
HEY
I'M COMIN'
WITH!!



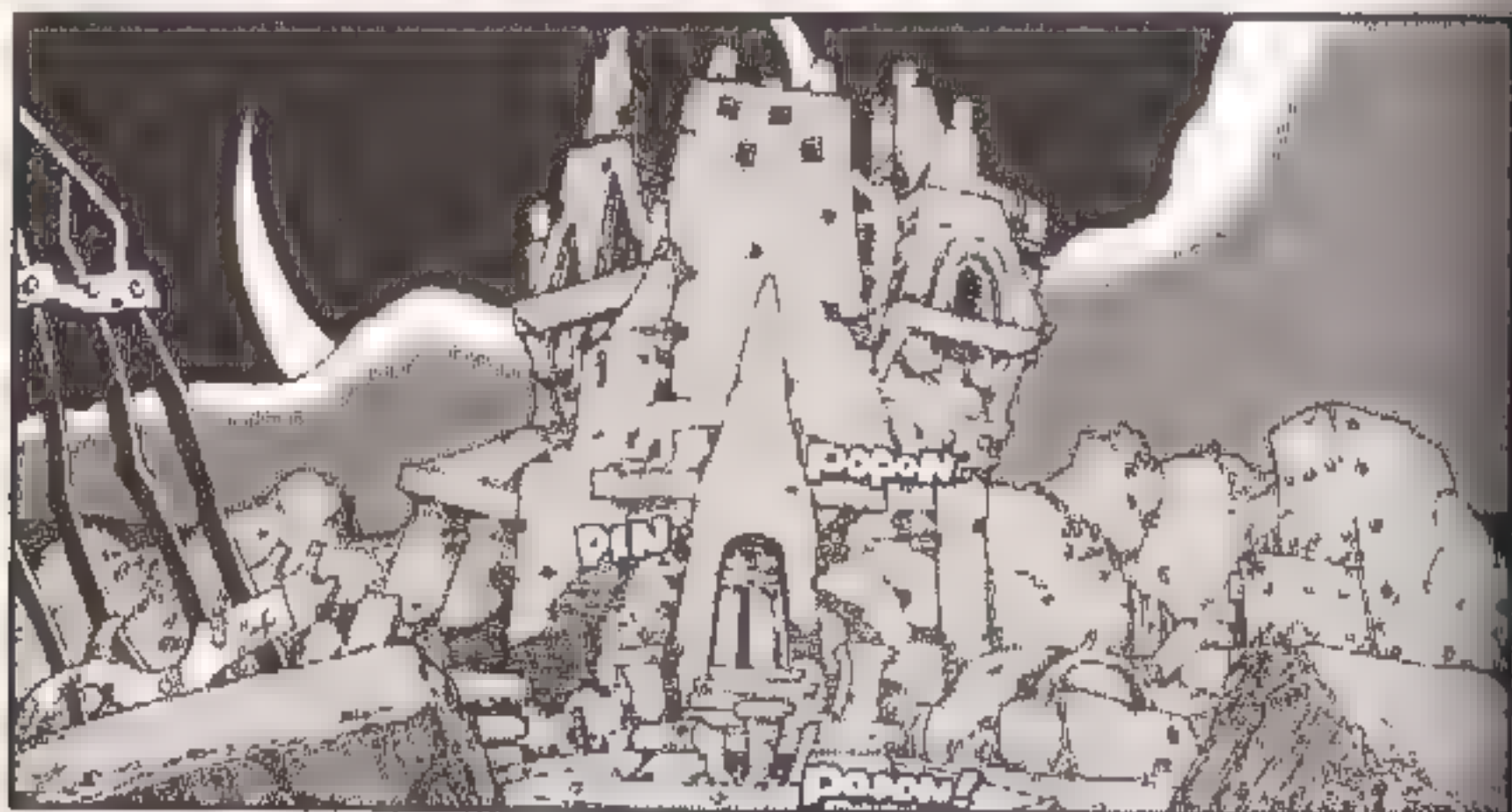
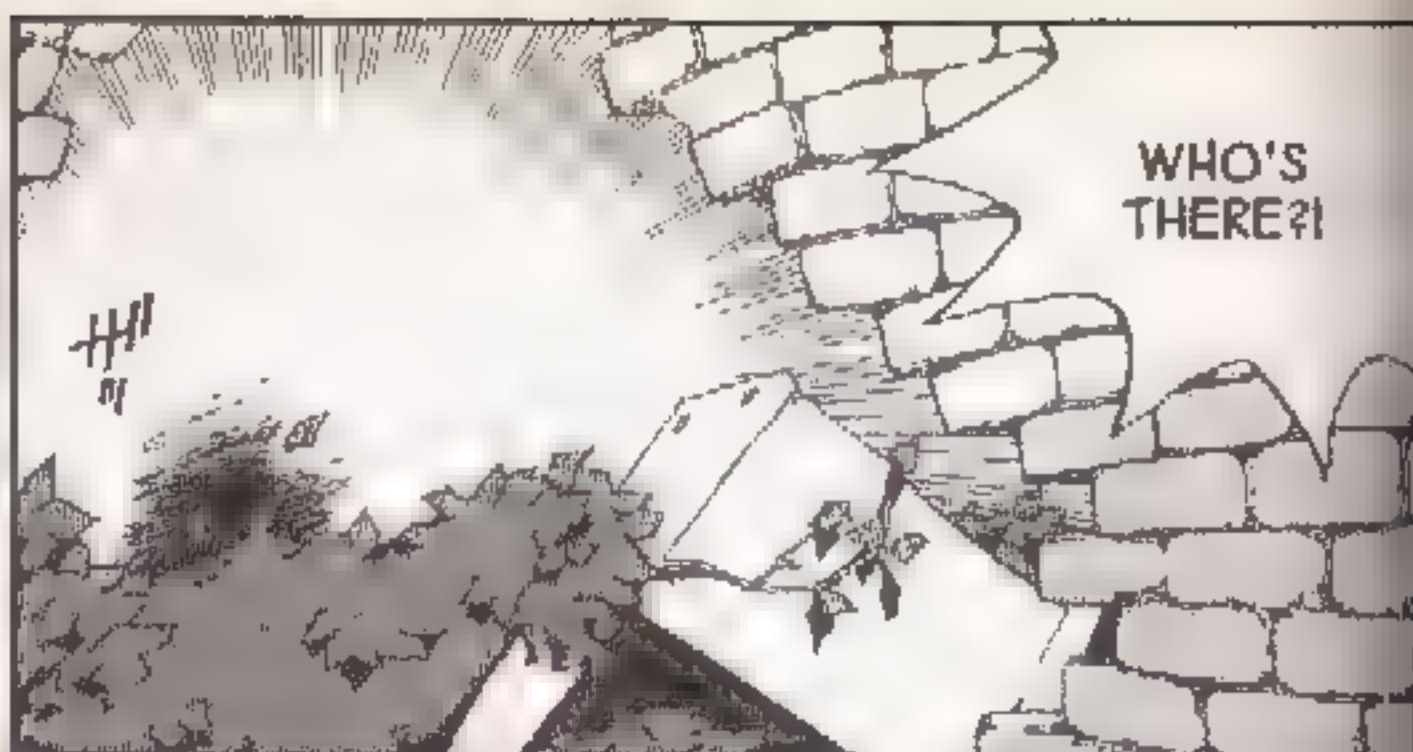
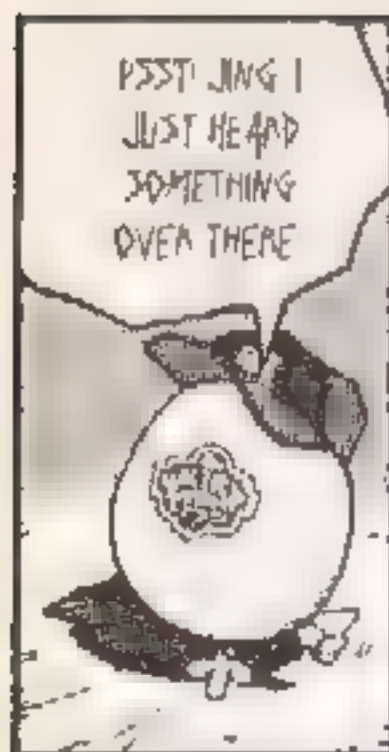
WELL...
NOTHING FOR
ME TO DO
BUT GO
AFTER HER!!

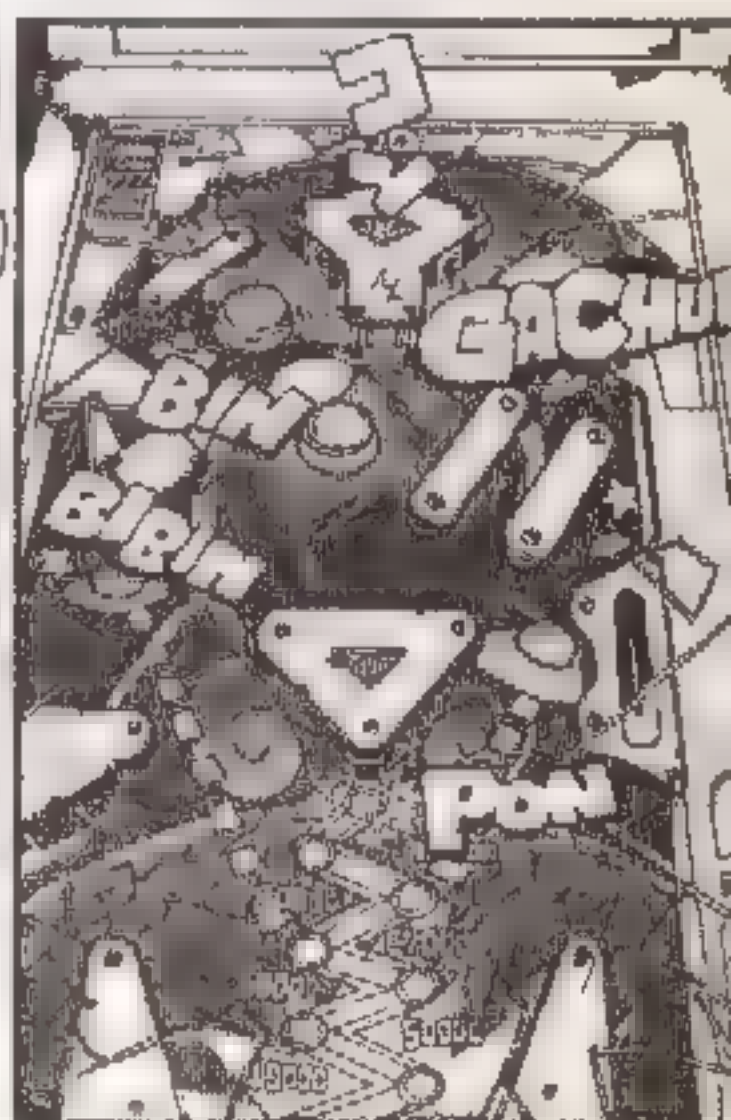
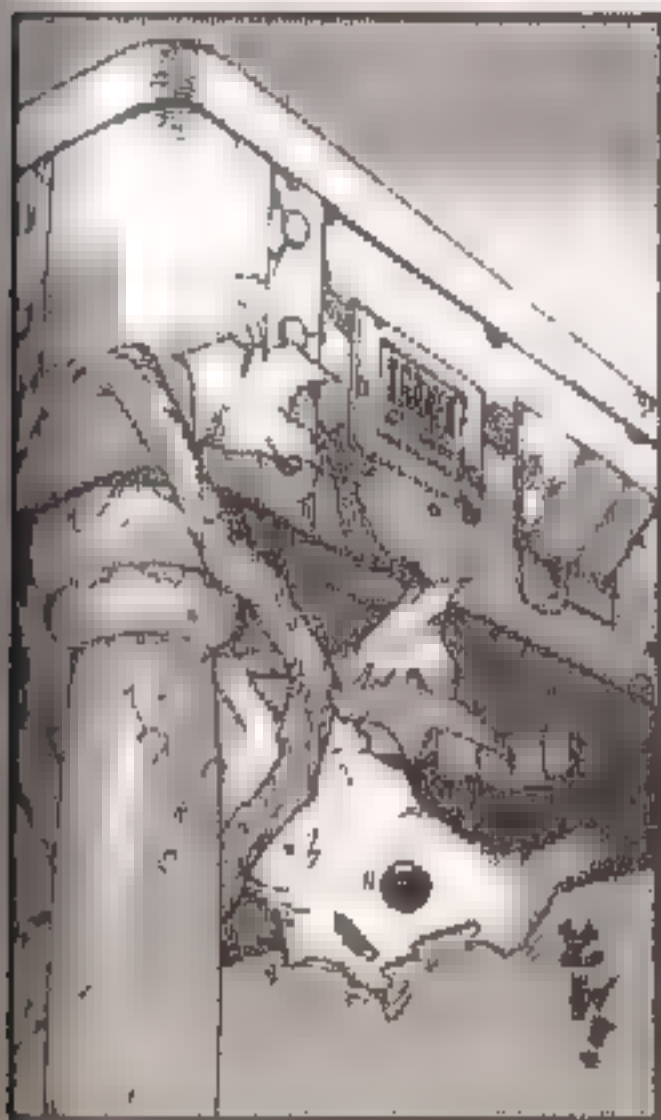


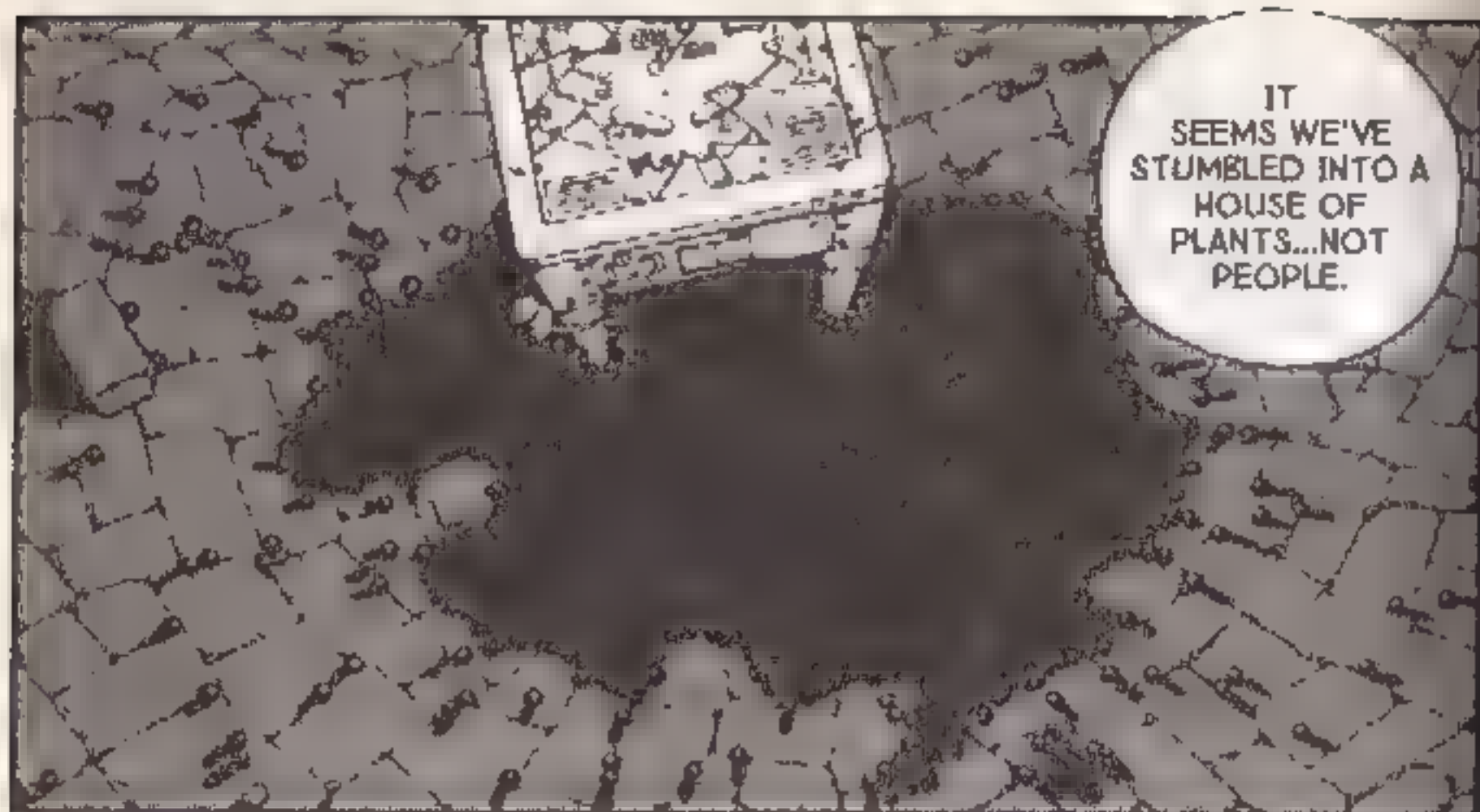












IT
SEEMS WE'VE
STUMBLED INTO A
HOUSE OF
PLANTS...NOT
PEOPLE.



WELL SHE MAY
HAVE BEEN
CHOPPED INTO A
FINE FERTILIZER
FEAST!!



OOOH...WHAT
HAPPENED
HERE?

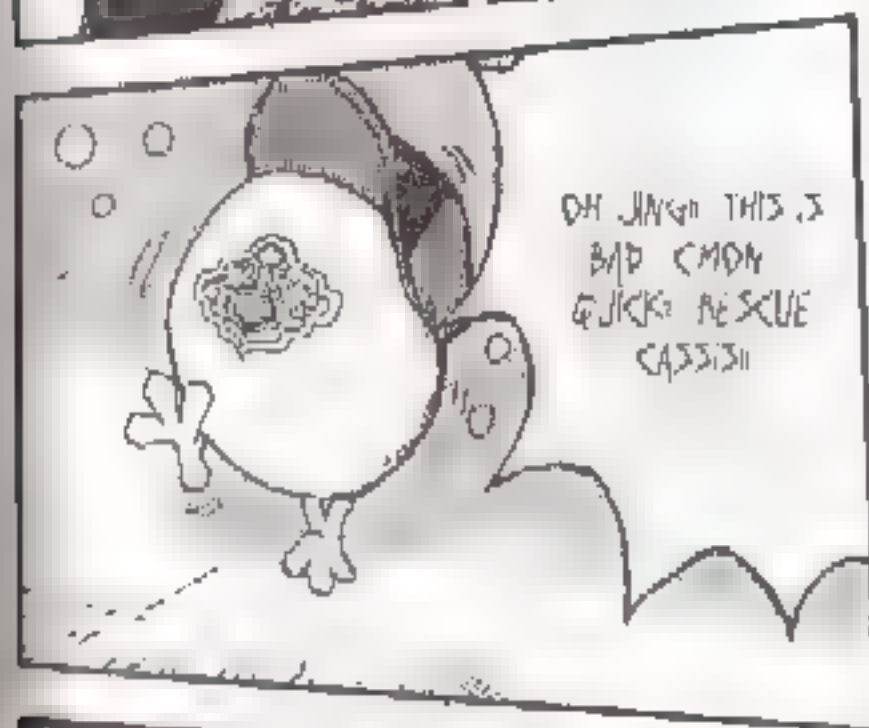


HMMM...?

WHY
WAS
SHE
HERE?



HEY I HOPE
CASSID IS A NIGHT
ARE CASSID'S HANDS
SHIFT LIKE A SQUID
TOD YTHINK?





W WHAT
HAPPENED?

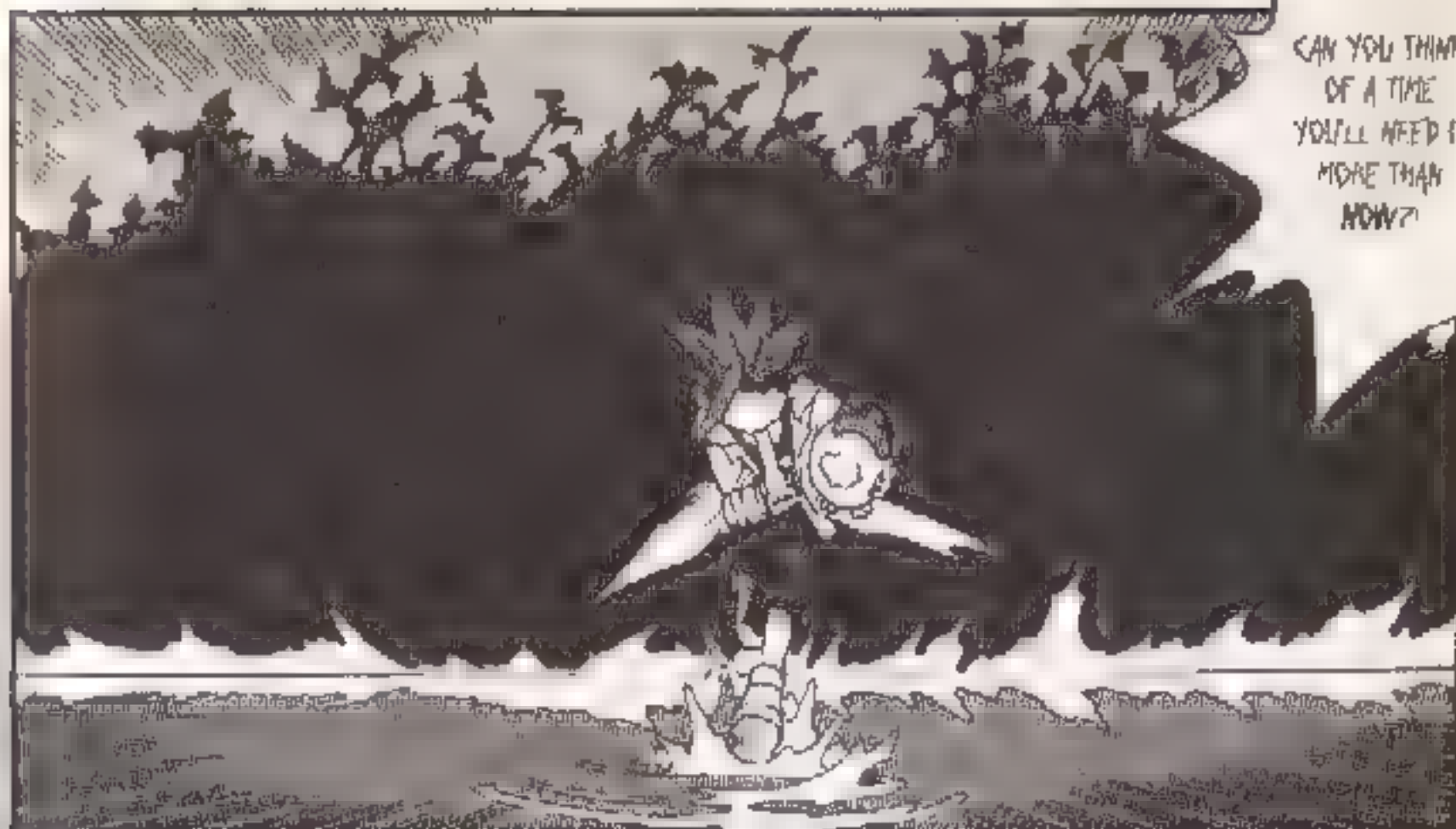
WHAT
THE--?!



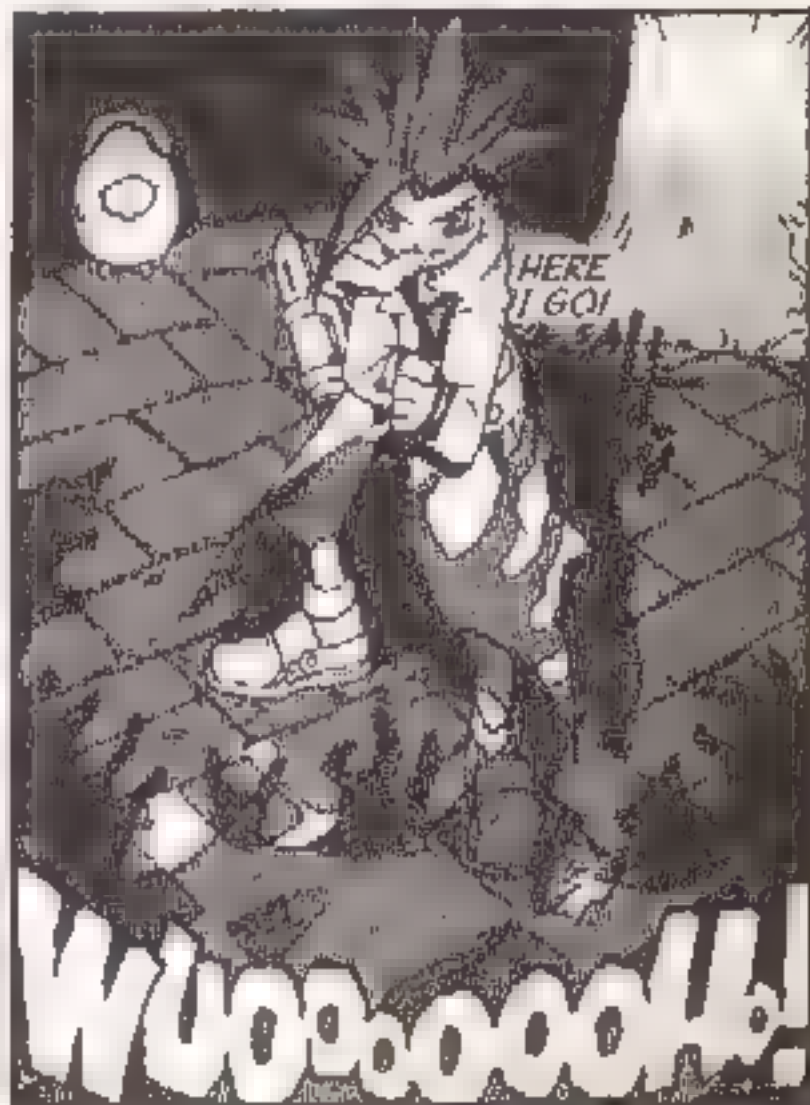
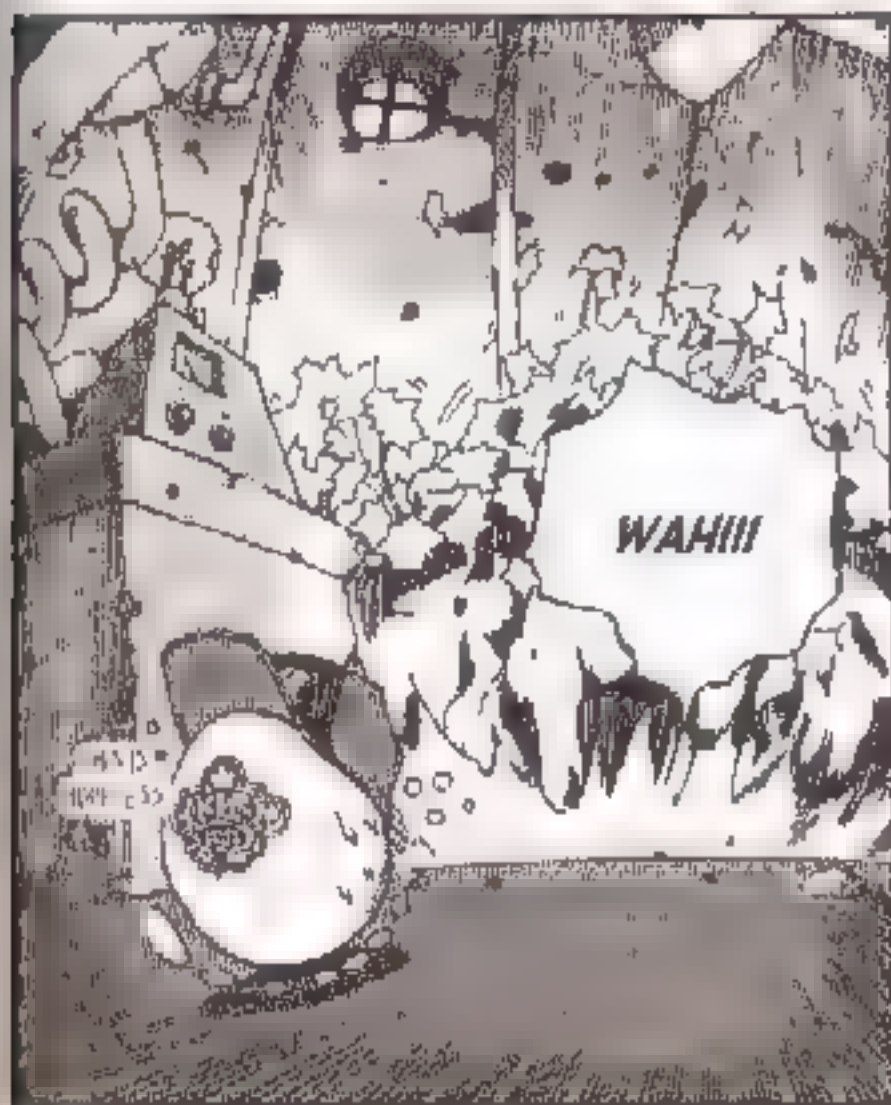
SAY WHEN CAN YOU
USE THAT PRESENT
FROM YOUR MOM.
JING?

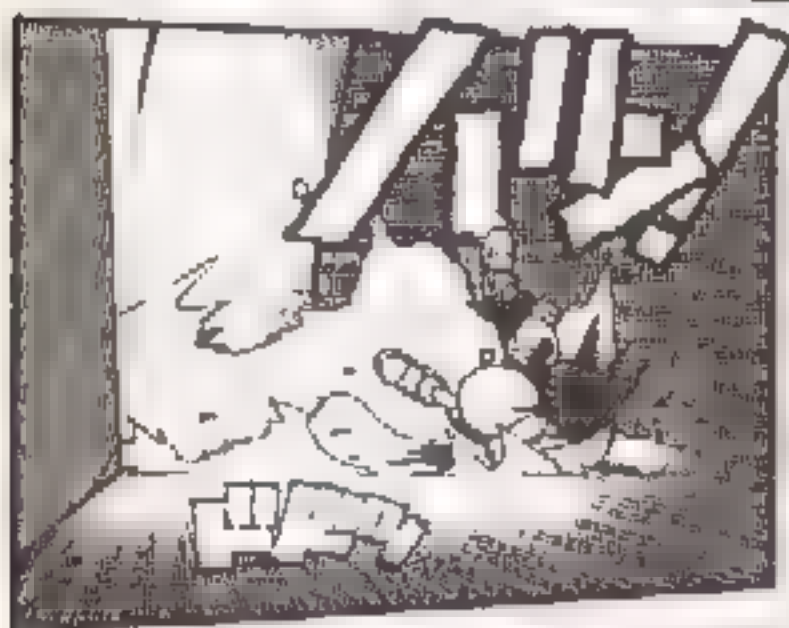


I DON'T KNOW!
SHE JUST SAID
THAT WHEN THE
TIME COMES, MY
RIGHT HAND WILL
NATURALLY KNOW
HOW TO USE THE
CRIME ROYAL. I'LL
NEED IT, SHE
SAID

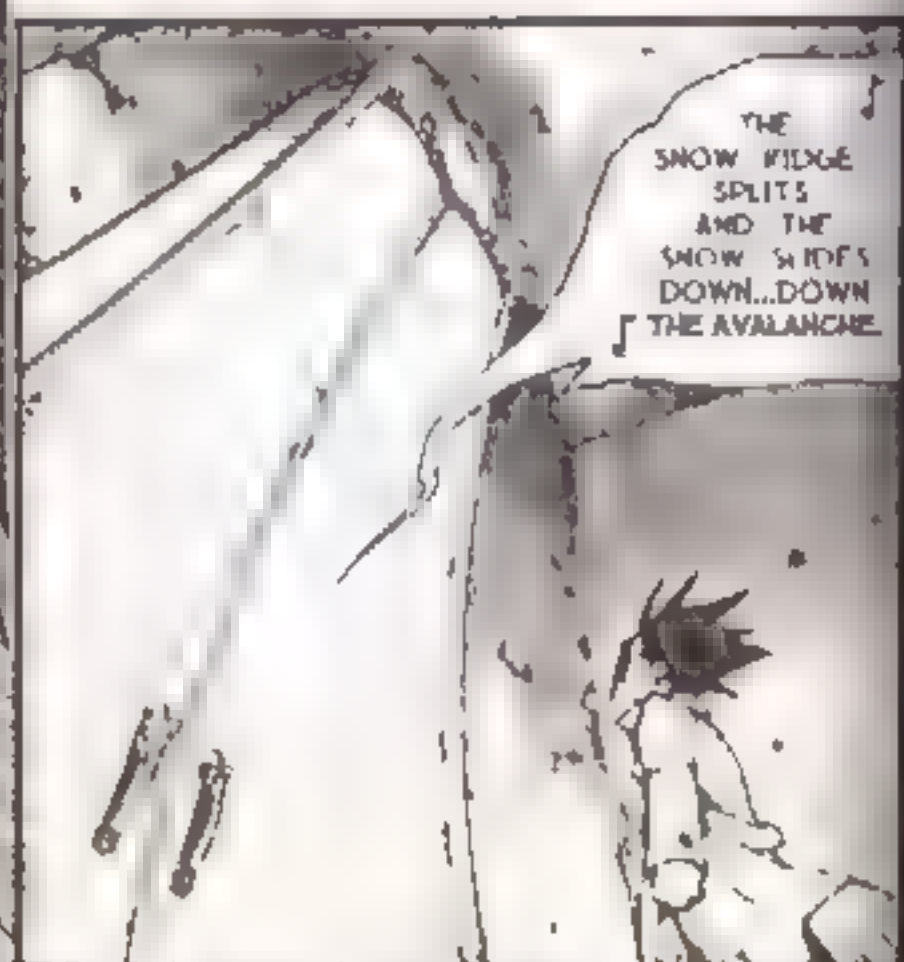


CAN YOU THINK
OF A TIME
YOU'LL NEED IT
MORE THAN
NOW?









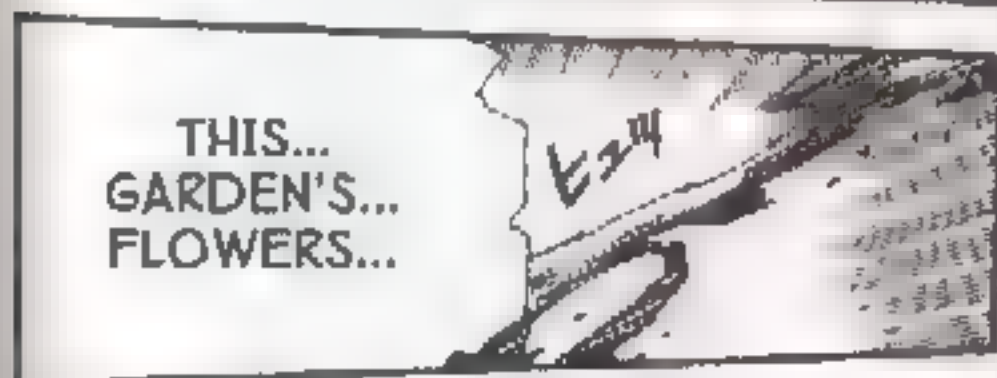


I AM THE
KING OF
BANDITS!!

AND
I'LL BE
ON MY
WAY,
NOW!



AH...A
FLOWER
THIEF...



THIS...
GARDEN'S...
FLOWERS...



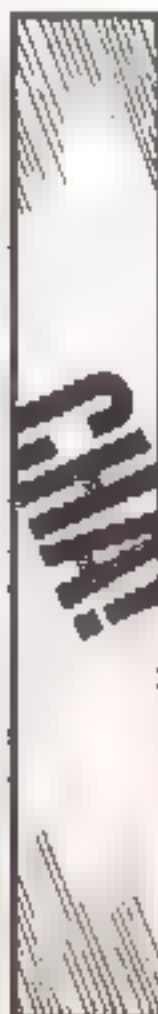
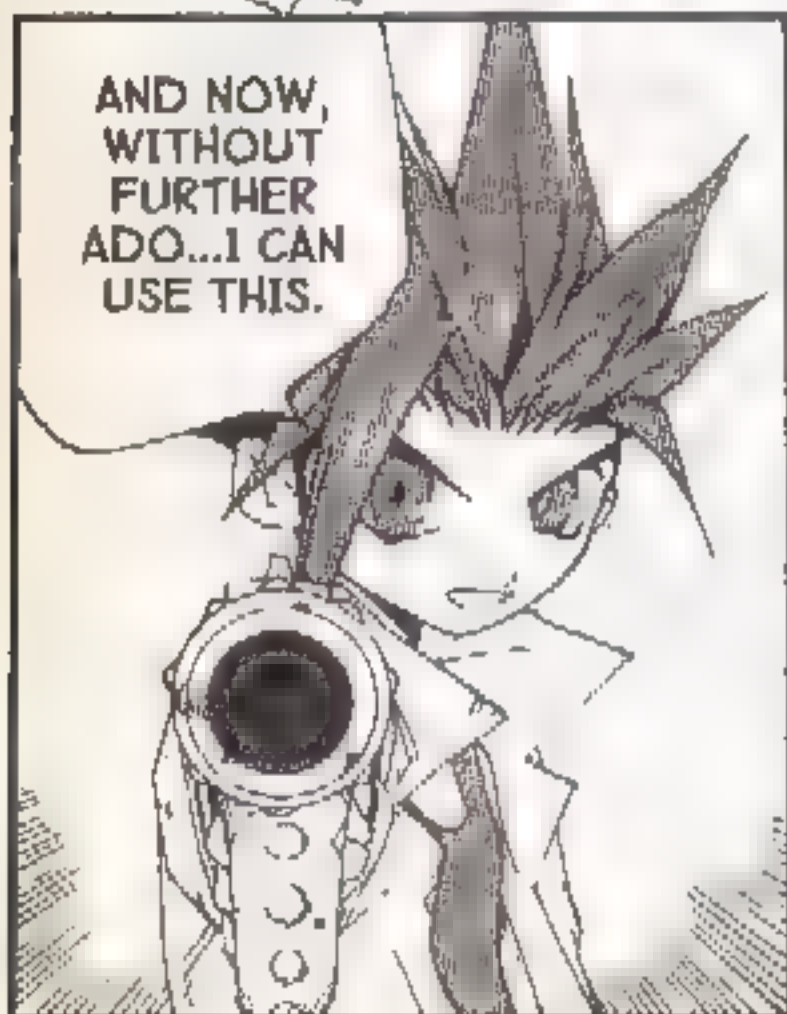
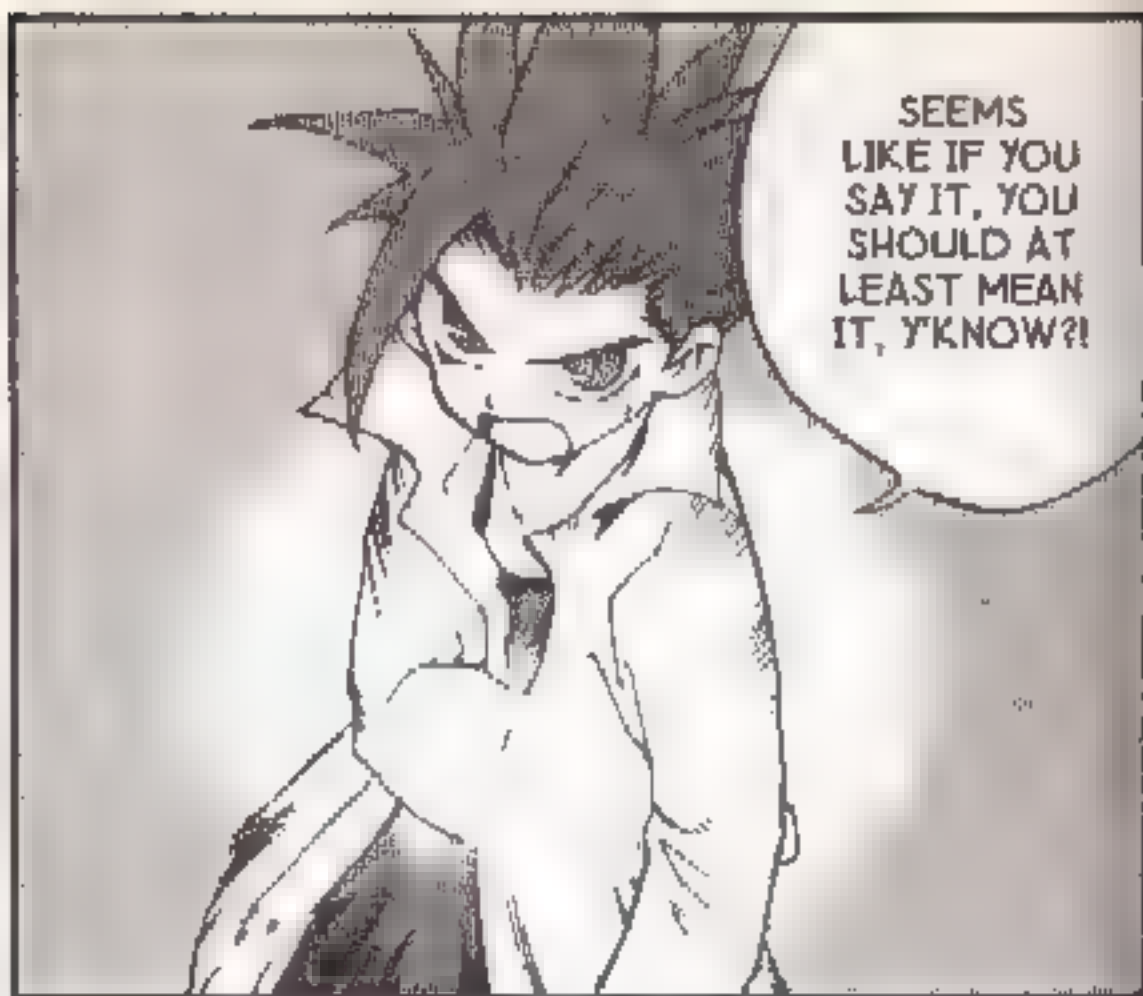
...I WON'T
HAVE...EVEN
ONE...
PLUCKED FROM
THIS PLACE.

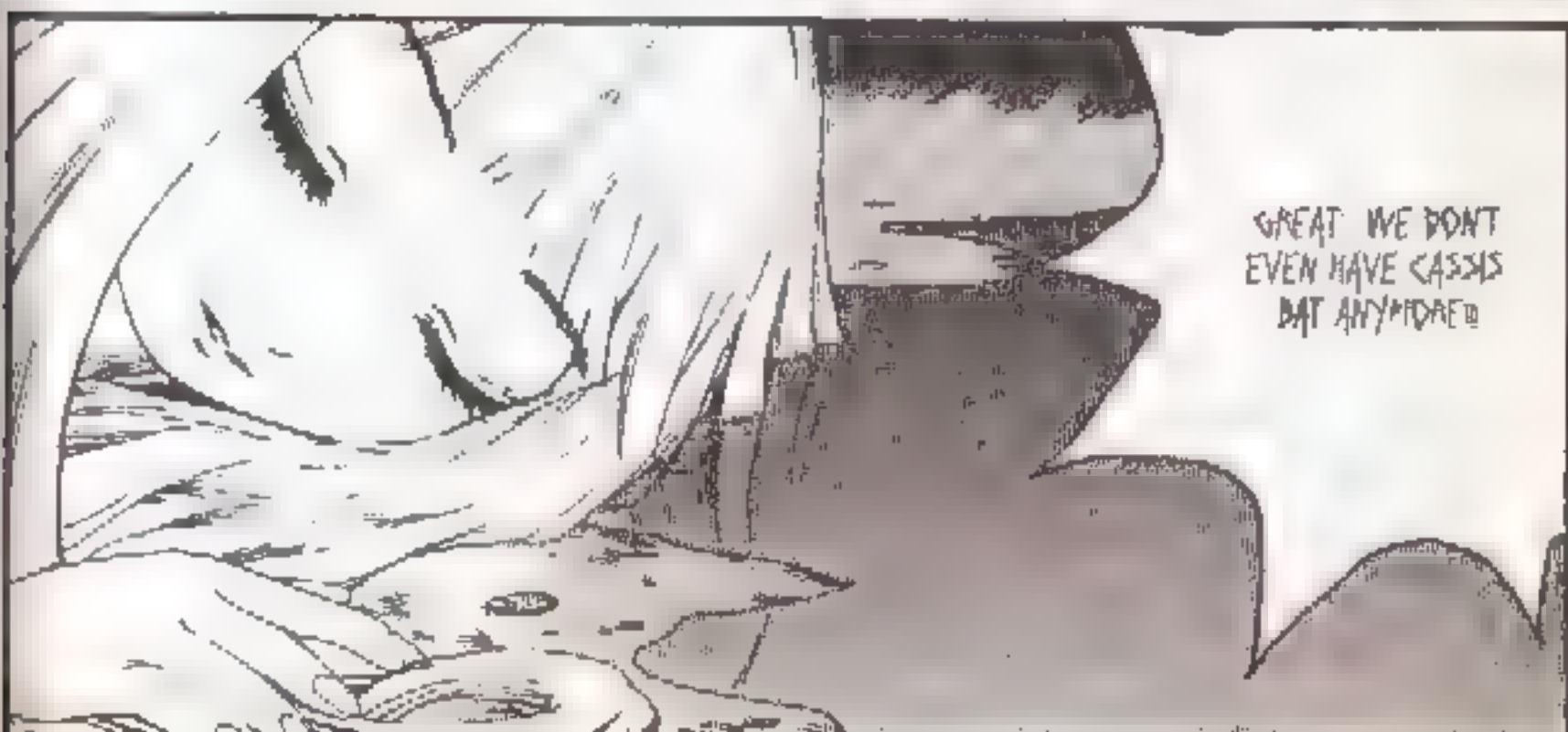
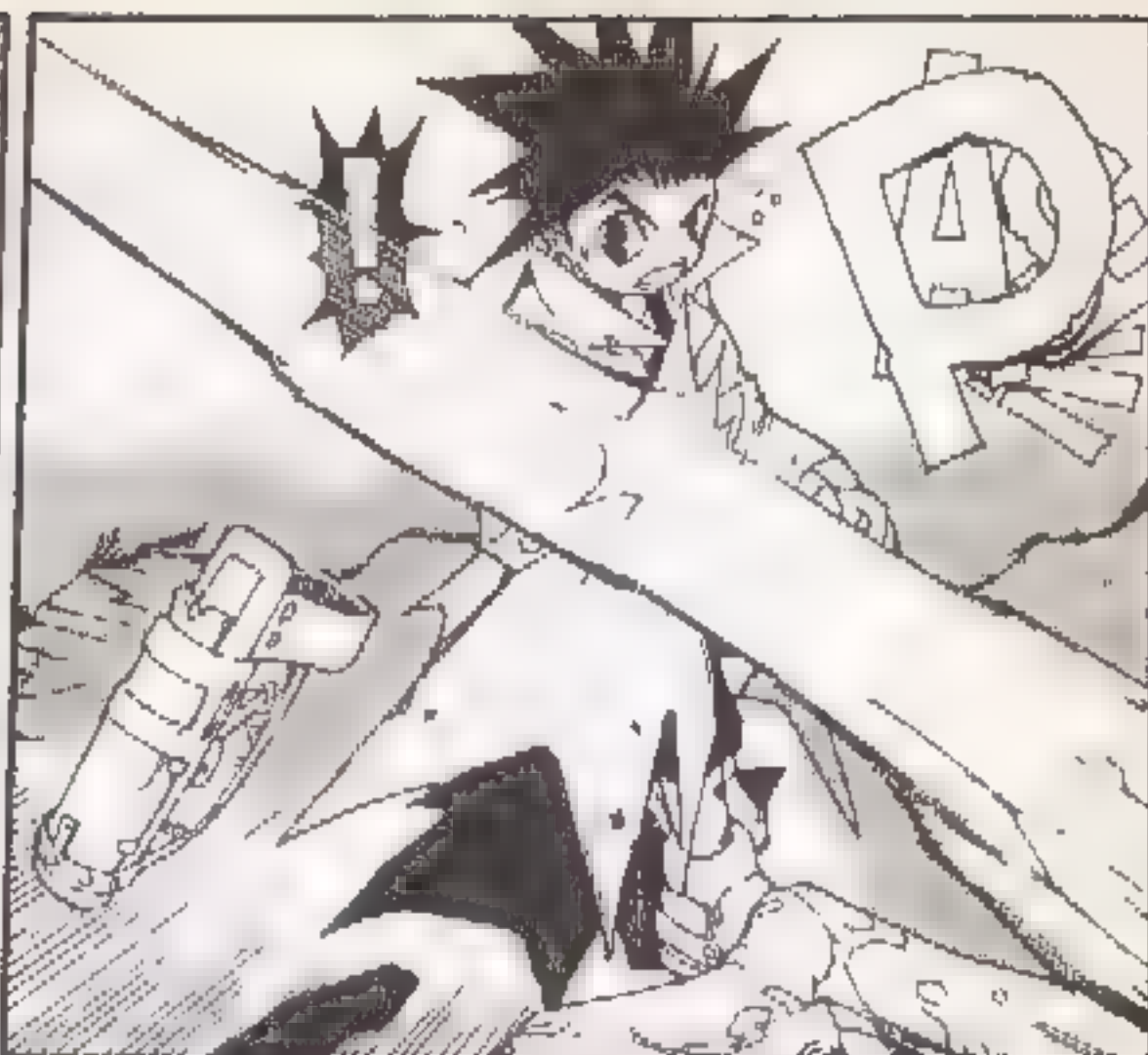
UWAH!

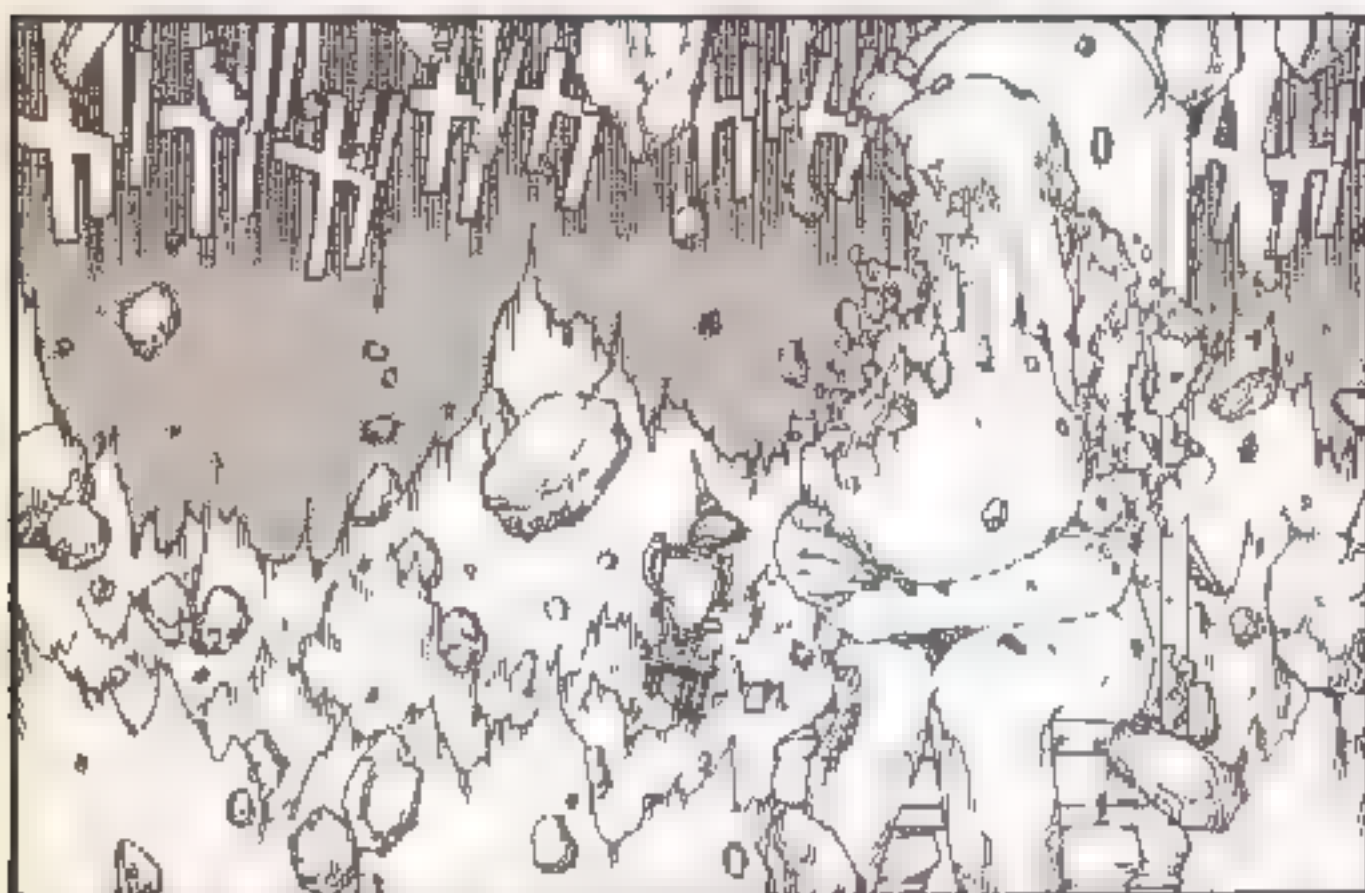


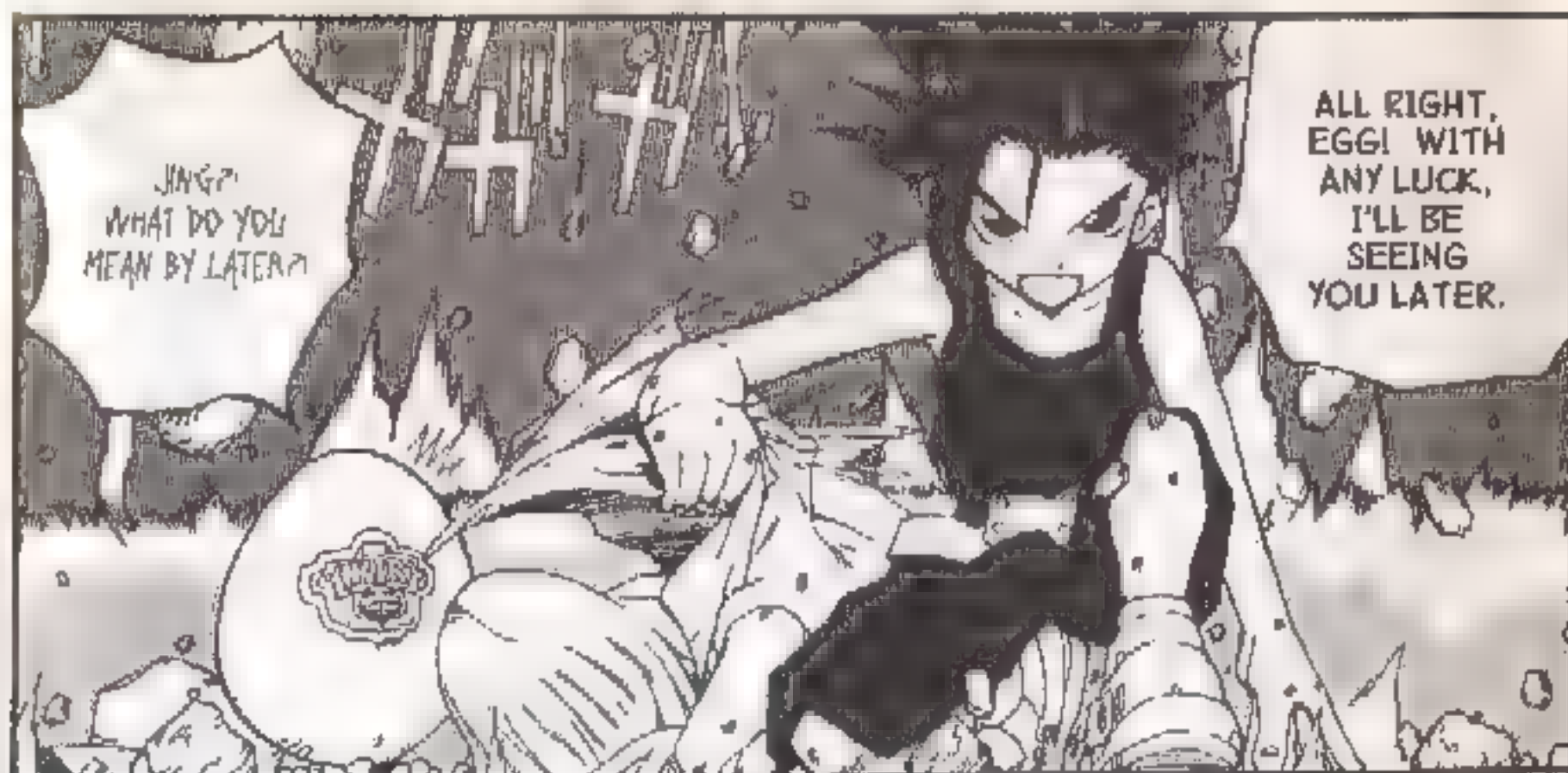
A BEAR
RIDES DOWN...

CASSISHHHHHH









JING?
WHAT DO YOU
MEAN BY LATER?

ALL RIGHT,
EGGI! WITH
ANY LUCK,
I'LL BE
SEEING
YOU LATER.

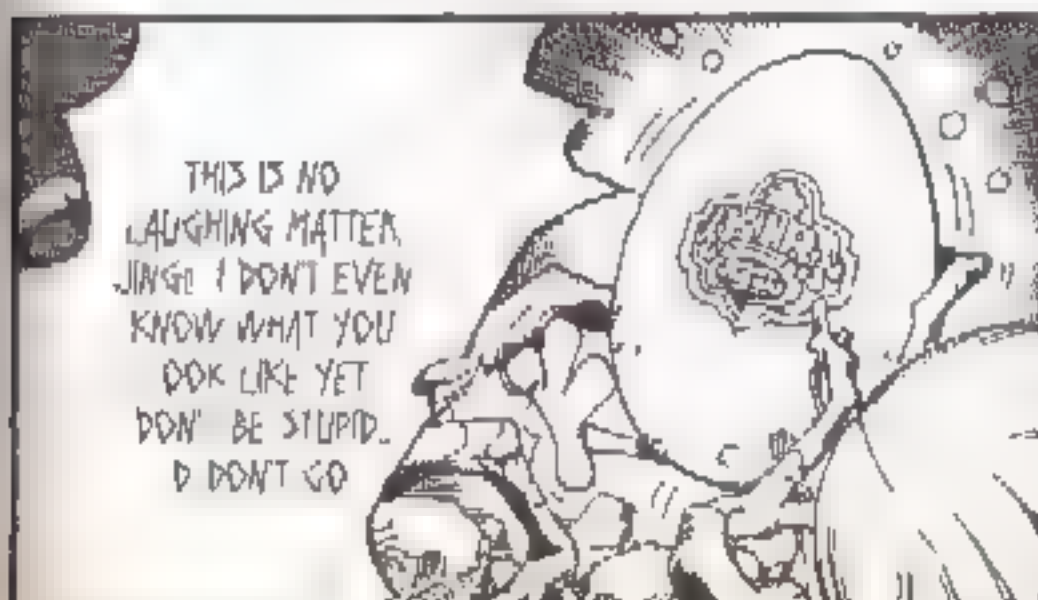


BUT FIRST,
ME AND THIS
TREE GEEZER
ARE GONNA
HAVE US A
LITTLE
WRASSLIN'
MATCH.

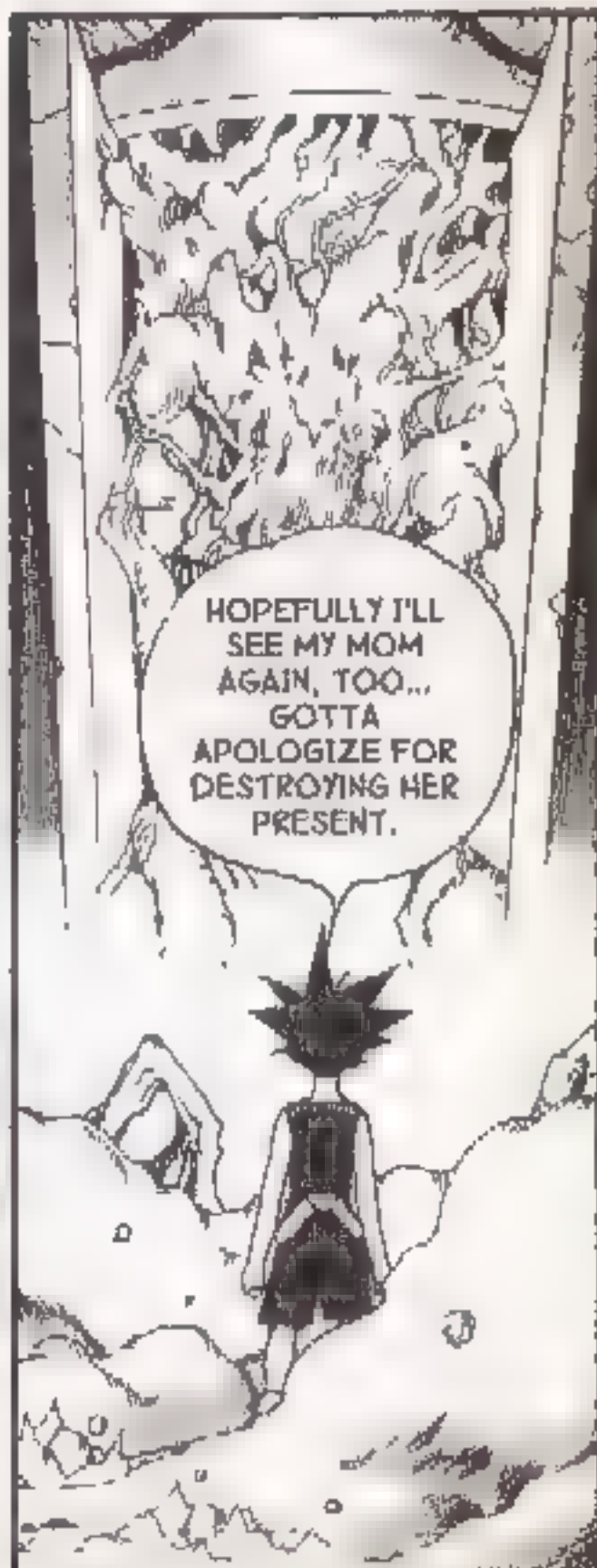


I HAVEN'T EVEN
BEEN BORN AND
YOU'RE ALREADY
PLANNING YOUR
DEATH?

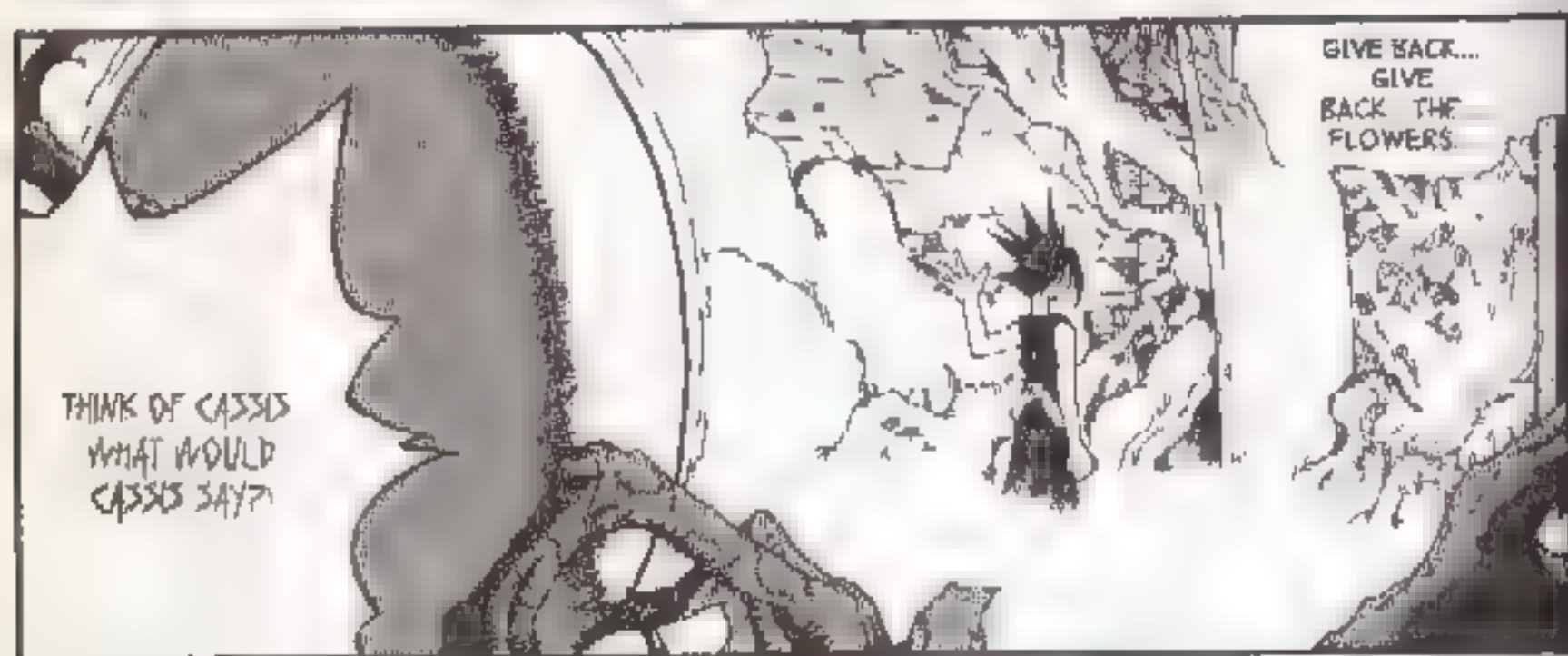
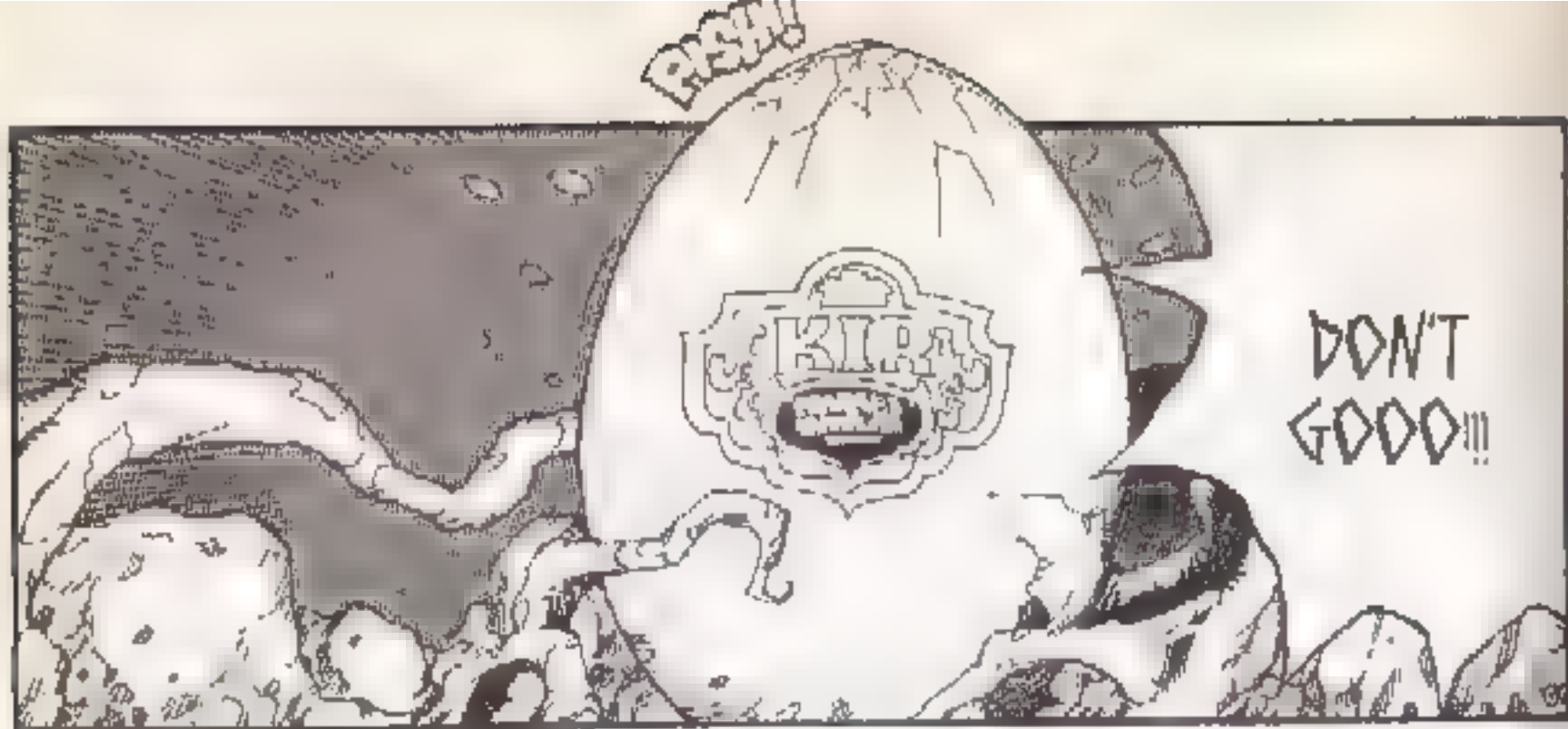
H-HEY
WHAT'S THAT
SPOXED TO MEAN?
JING ARE YOU
TALKING ABOUT
DYING?

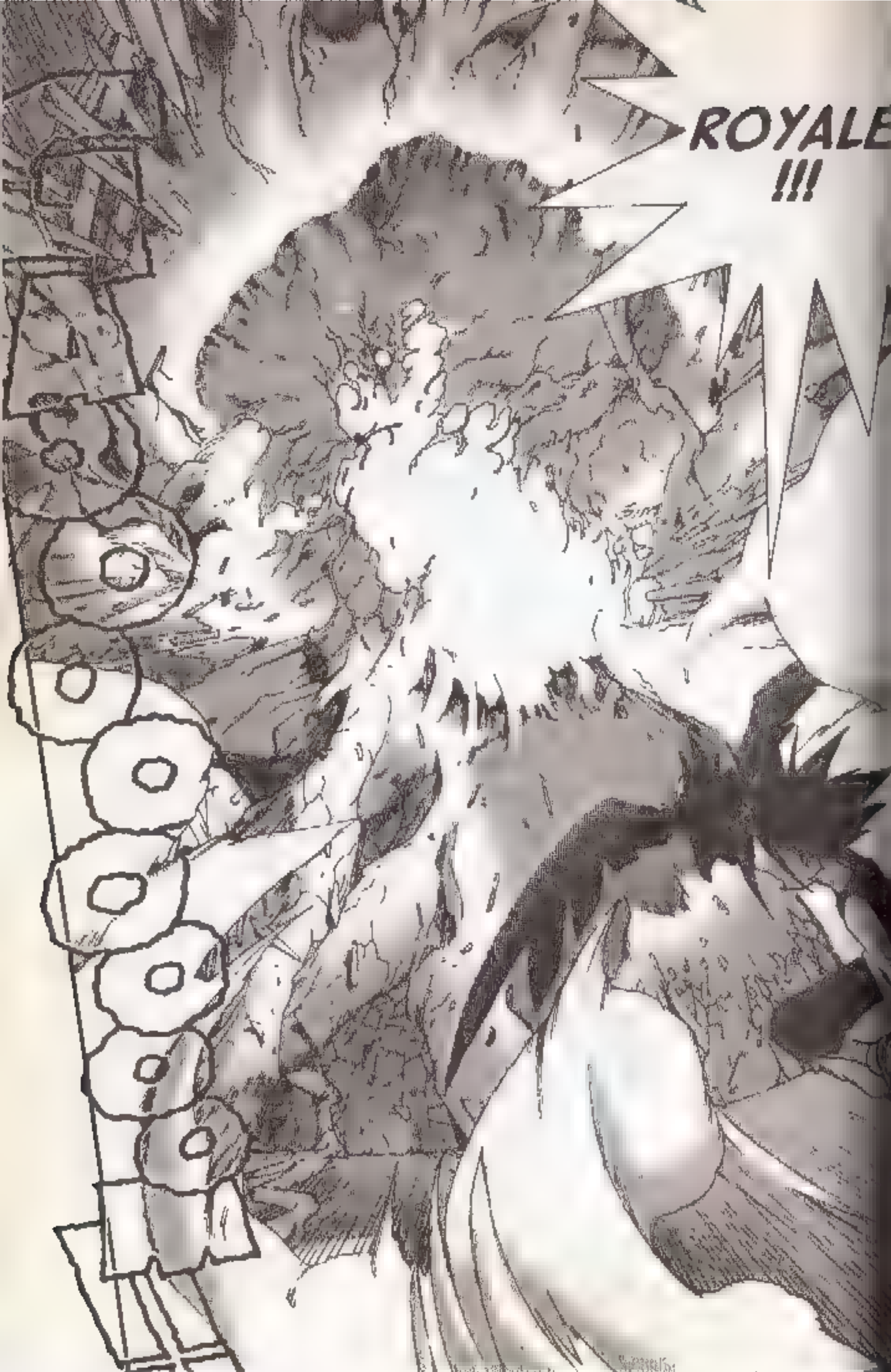


THIS IS NO
LAUGHING MATTER.
JING! I DON'T EVEN
KNOW WHAT YOU
DOO LIKE YET
DON' BE STUPID.
D DON'T GO

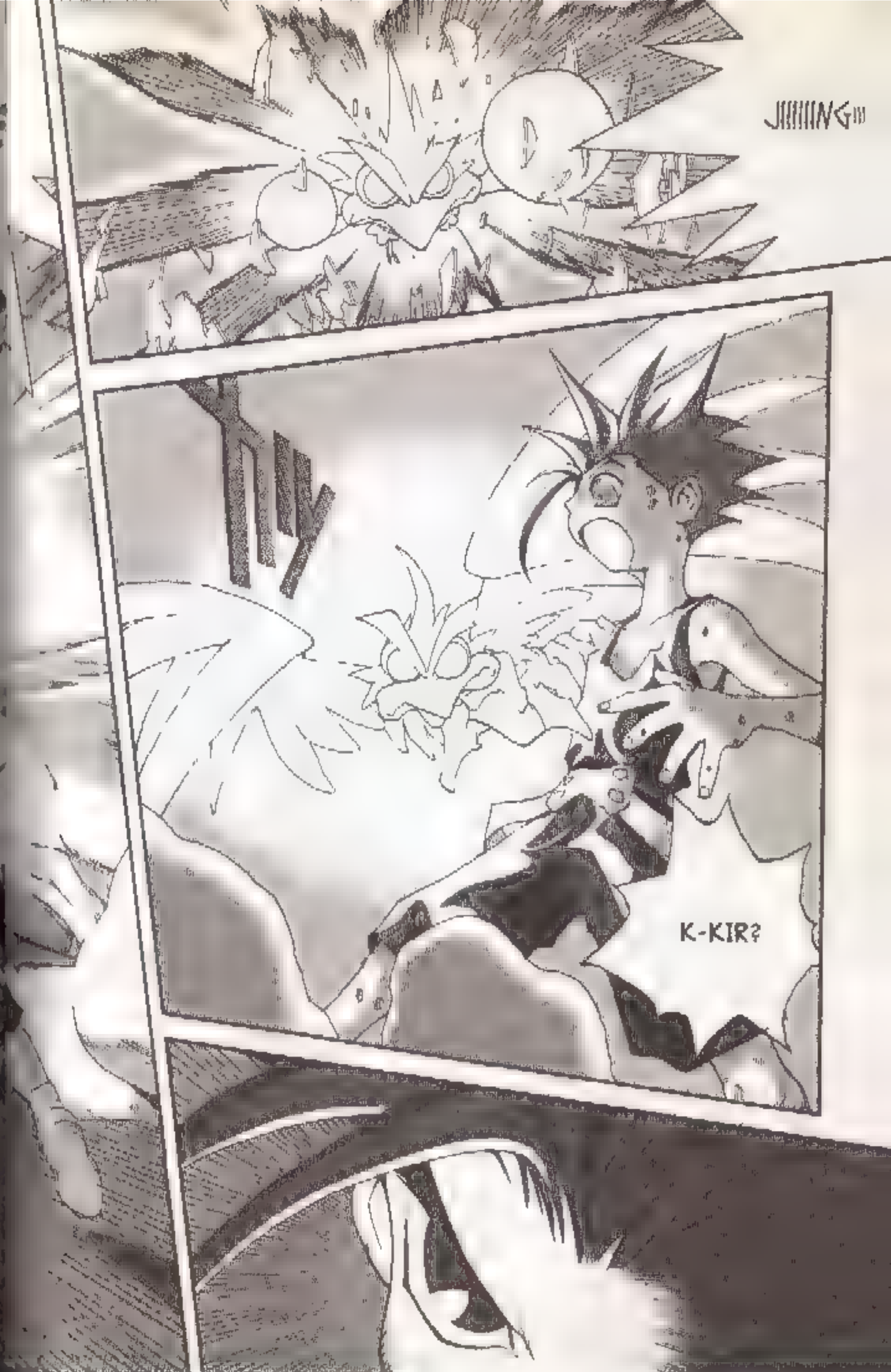


HOPEFULLY I'LL
SEE MY MOM
AGAIN, TOO...
GOTTA
APOLOGIZE FOR
DESTROYING HER
PRESENT.



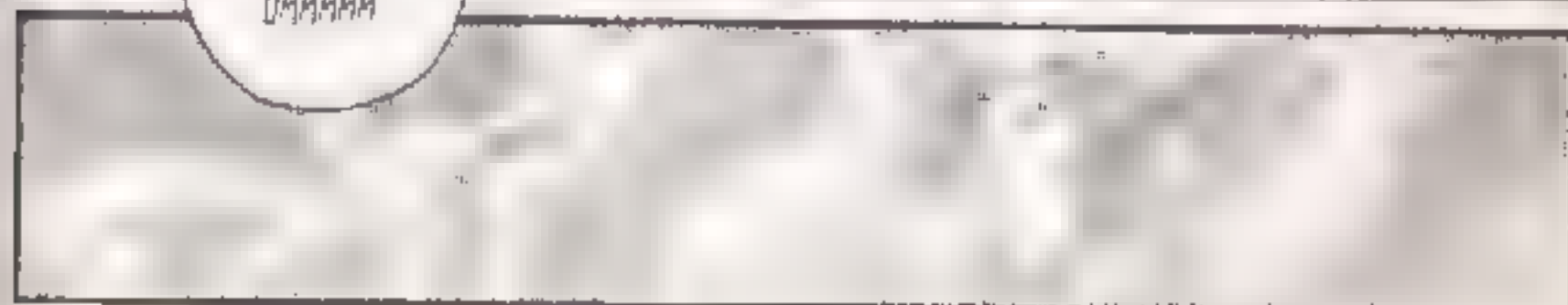
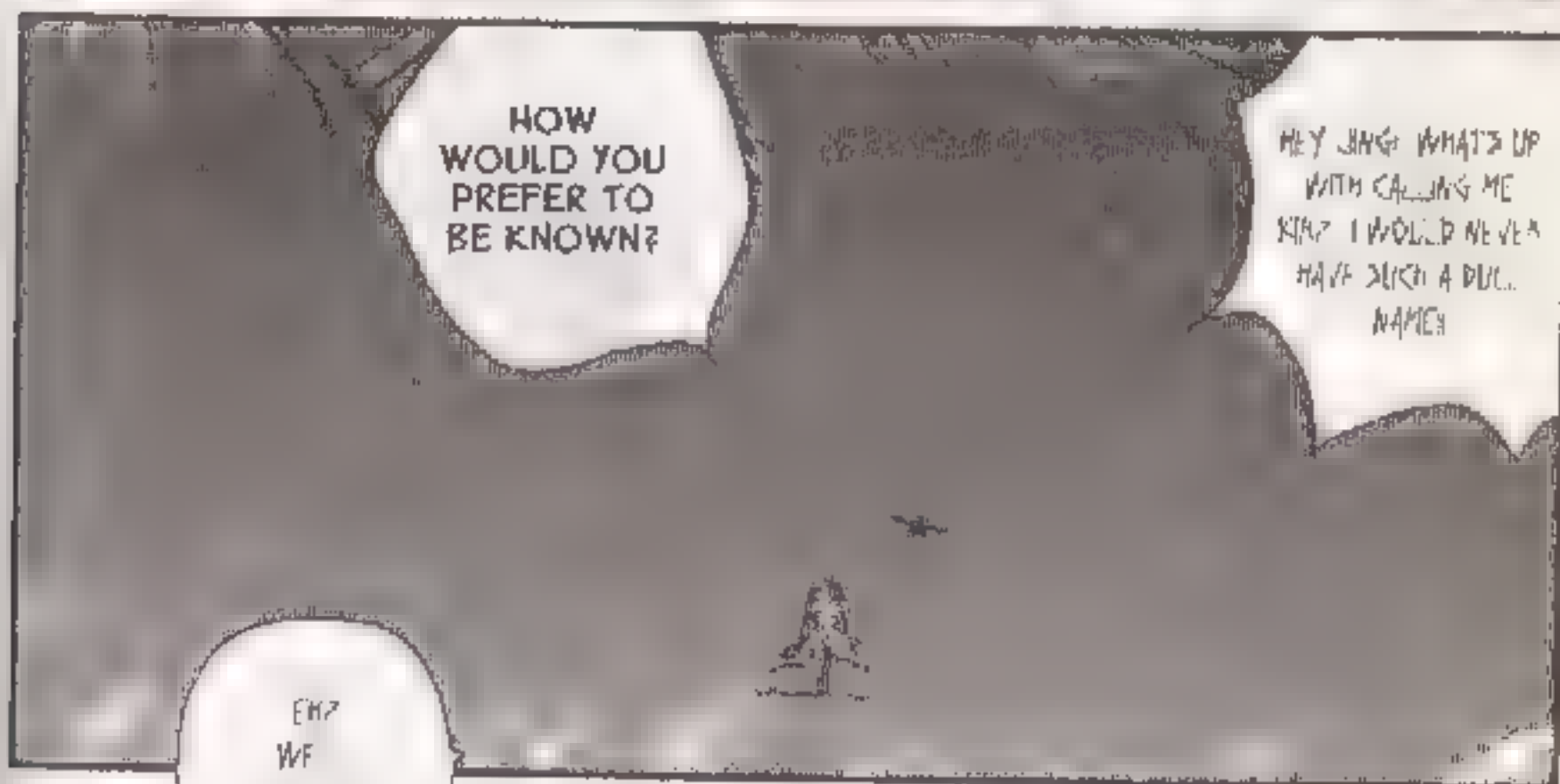
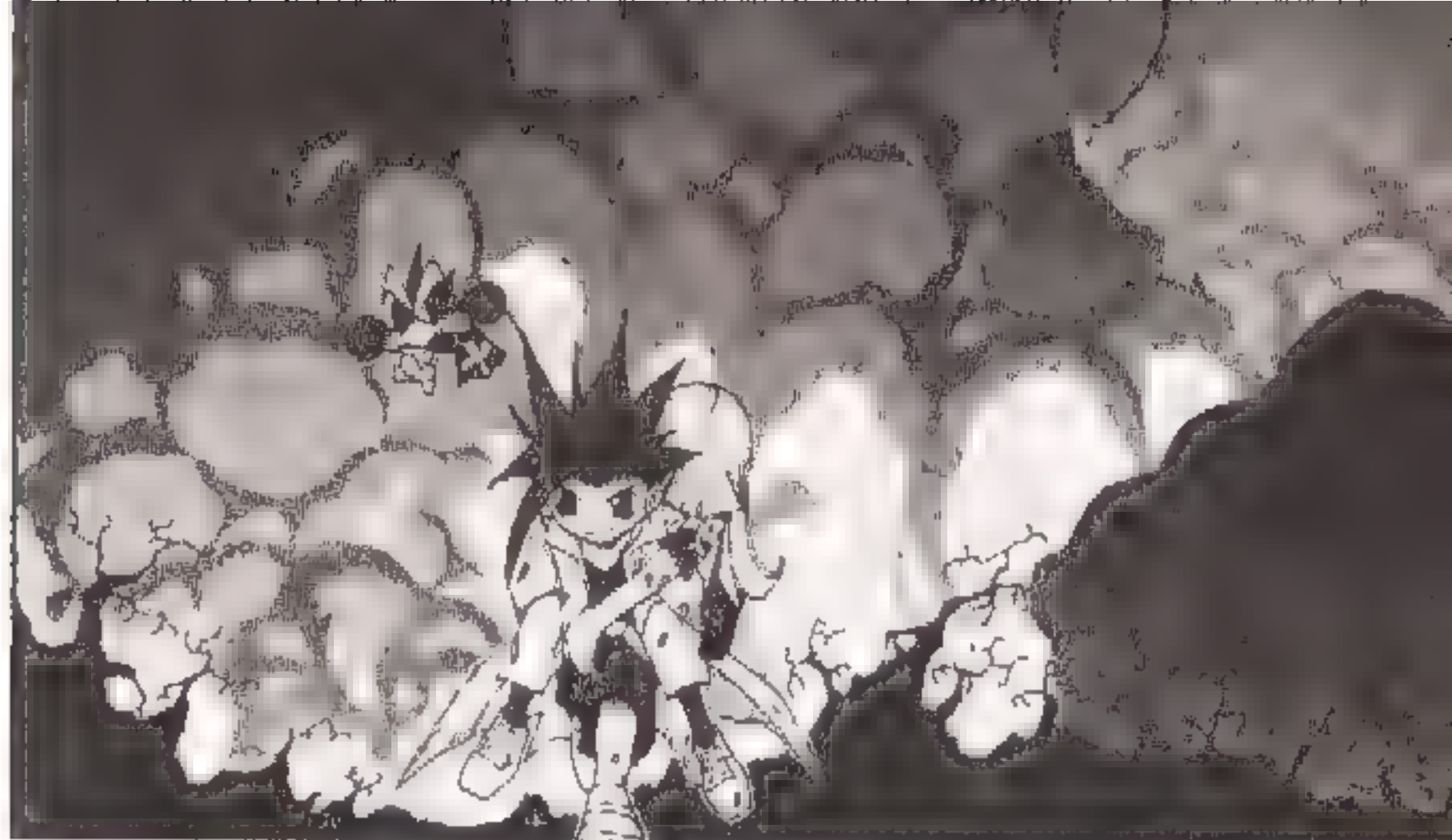


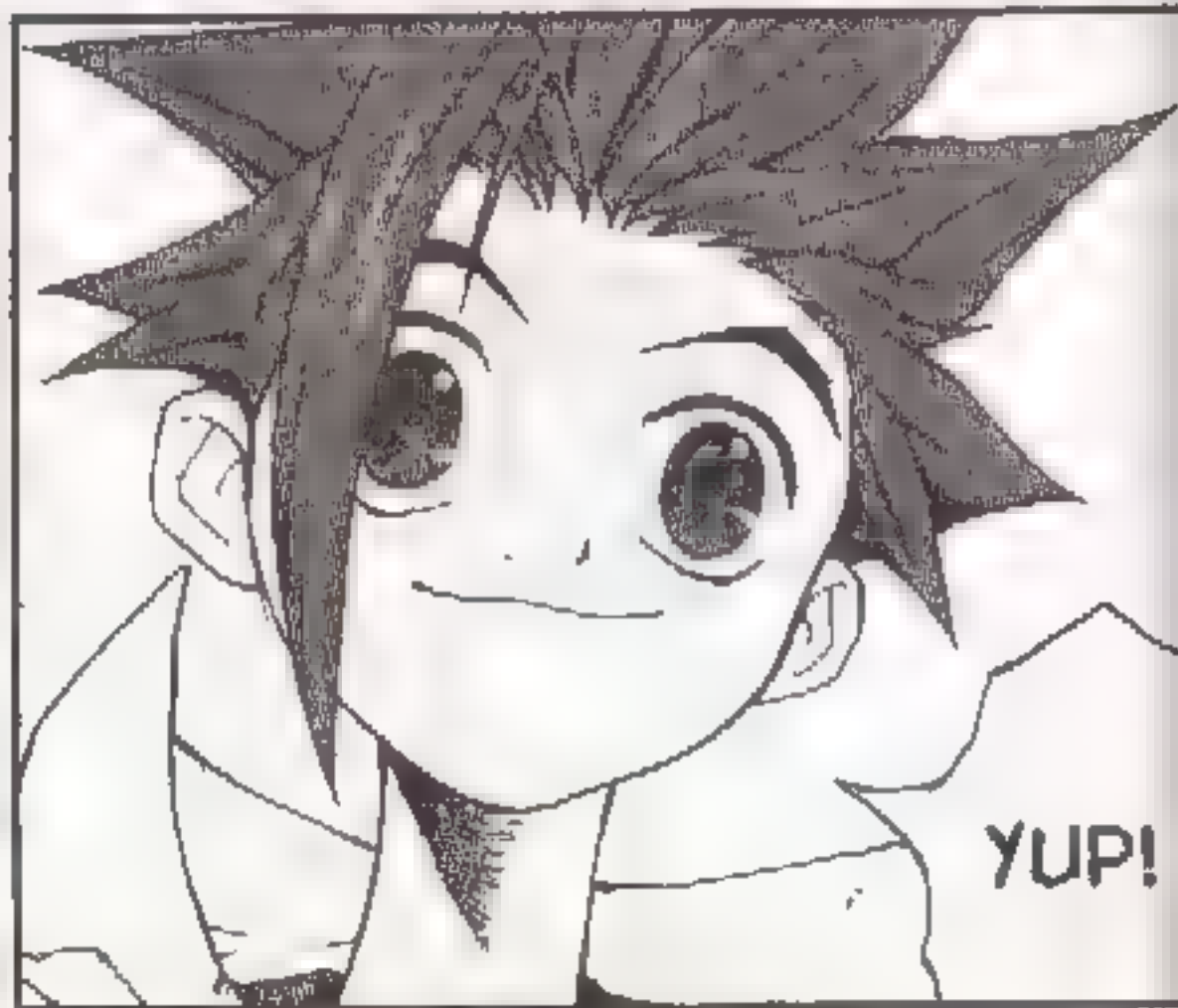
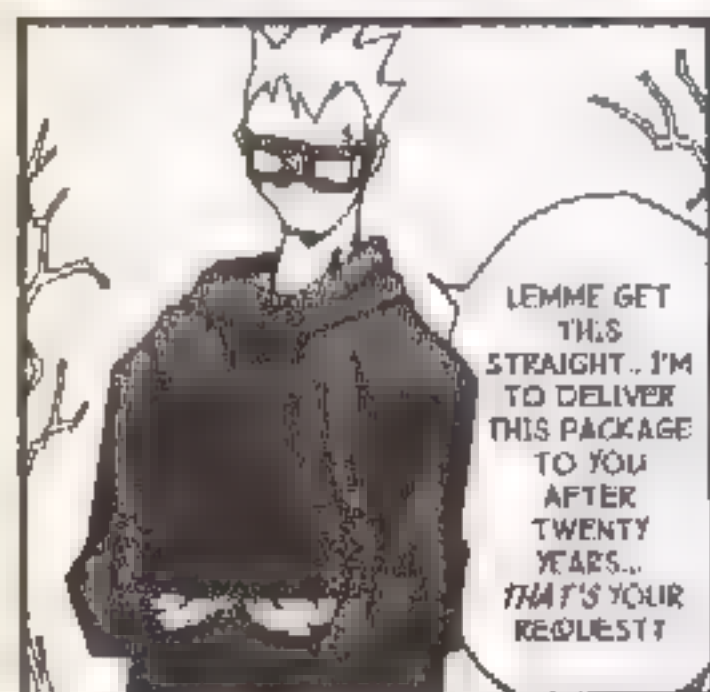
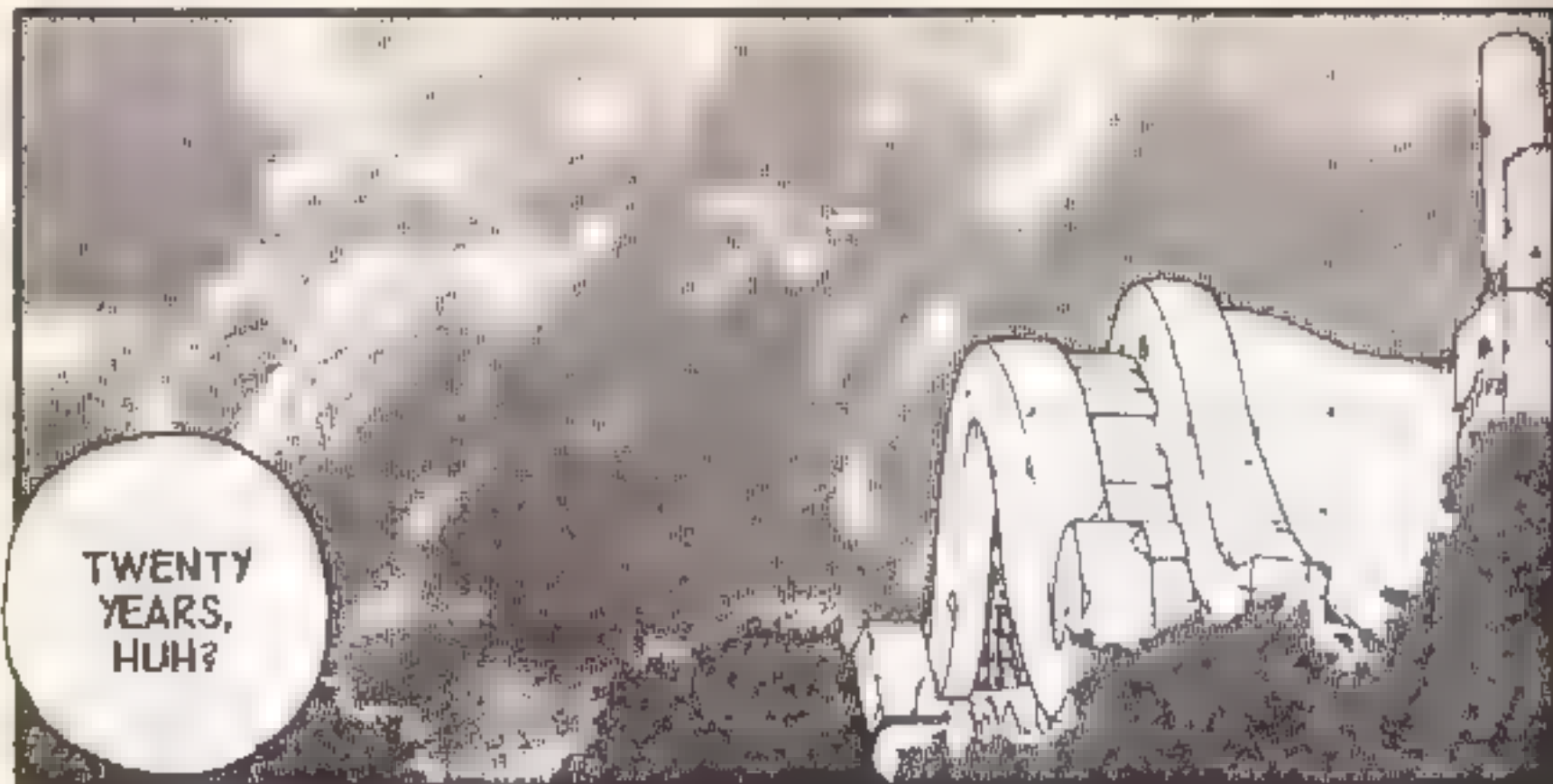
ROYALE
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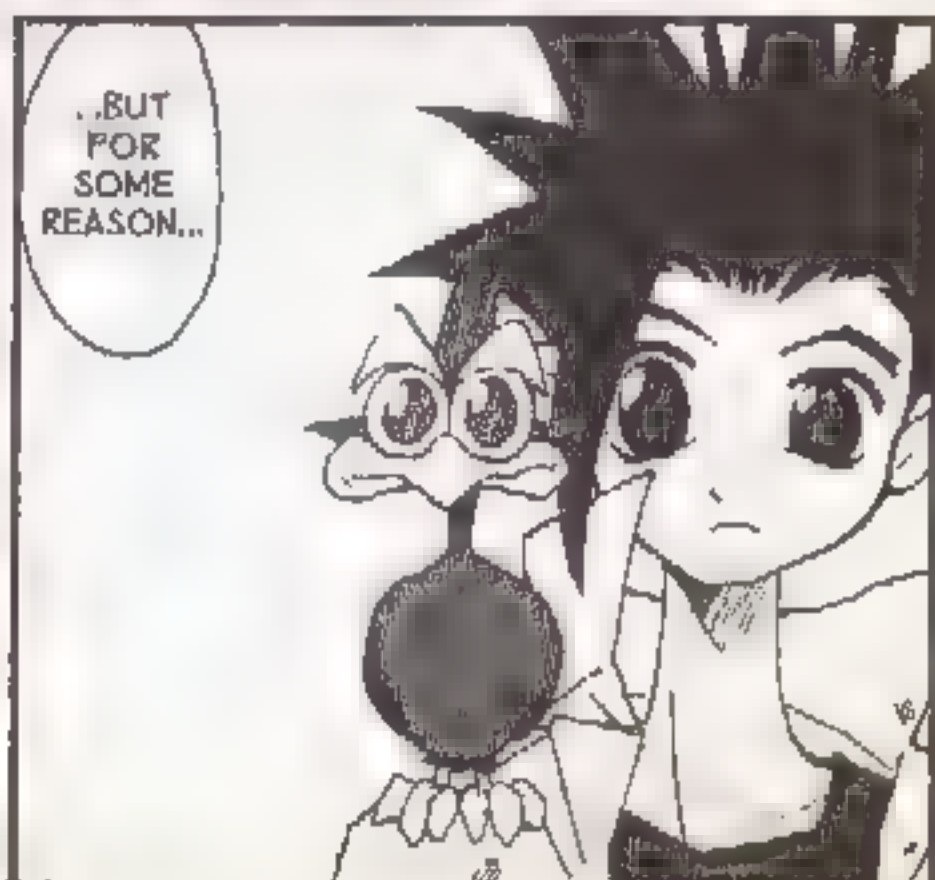
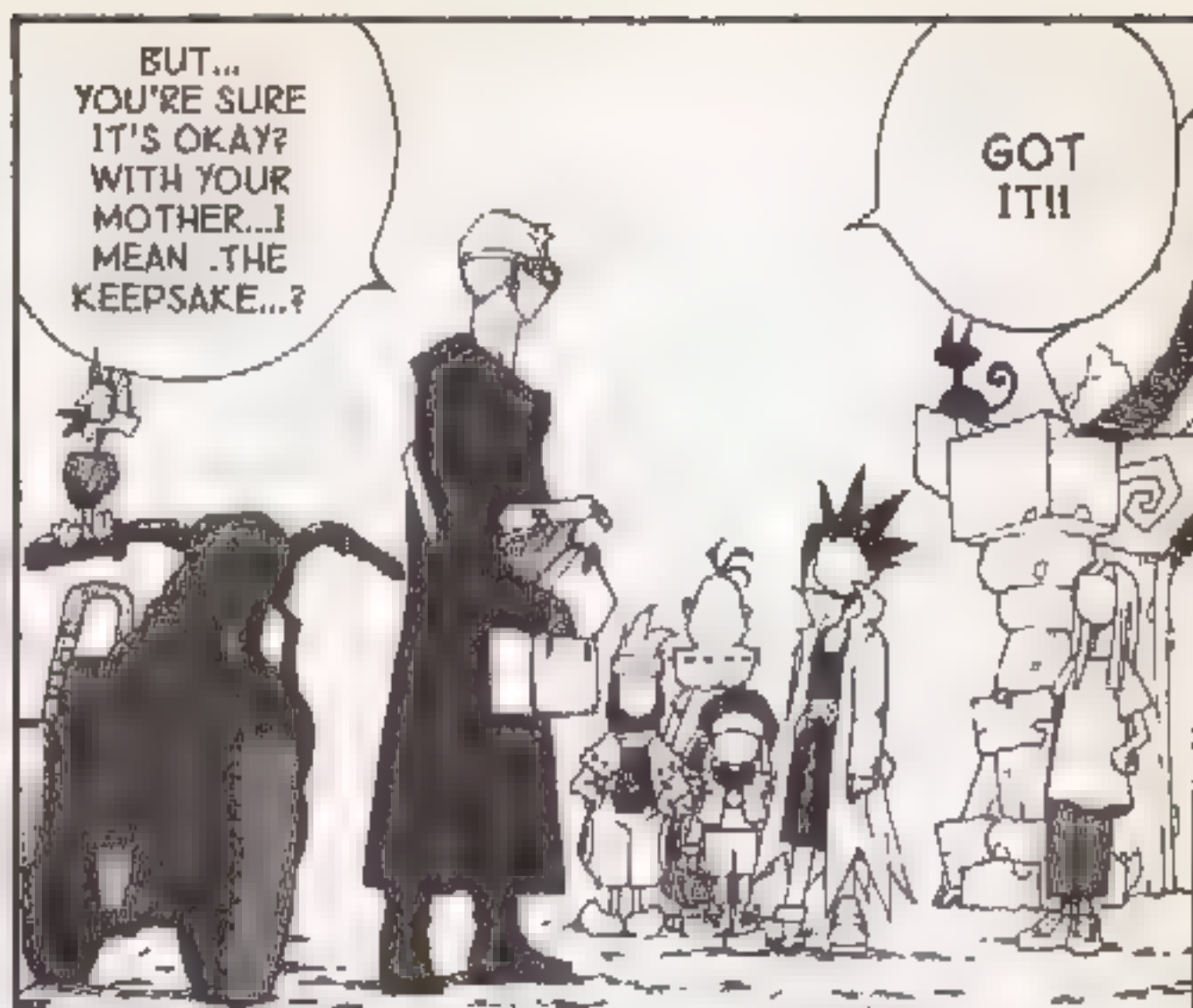


JINJIING!!!

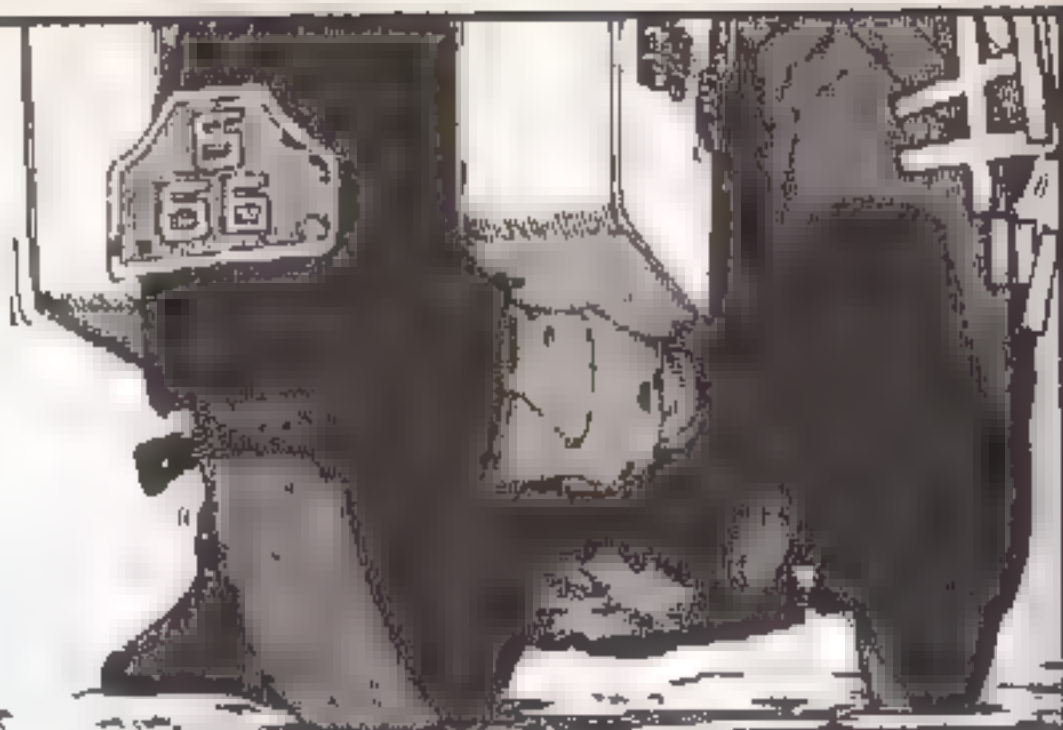
K-KIR?







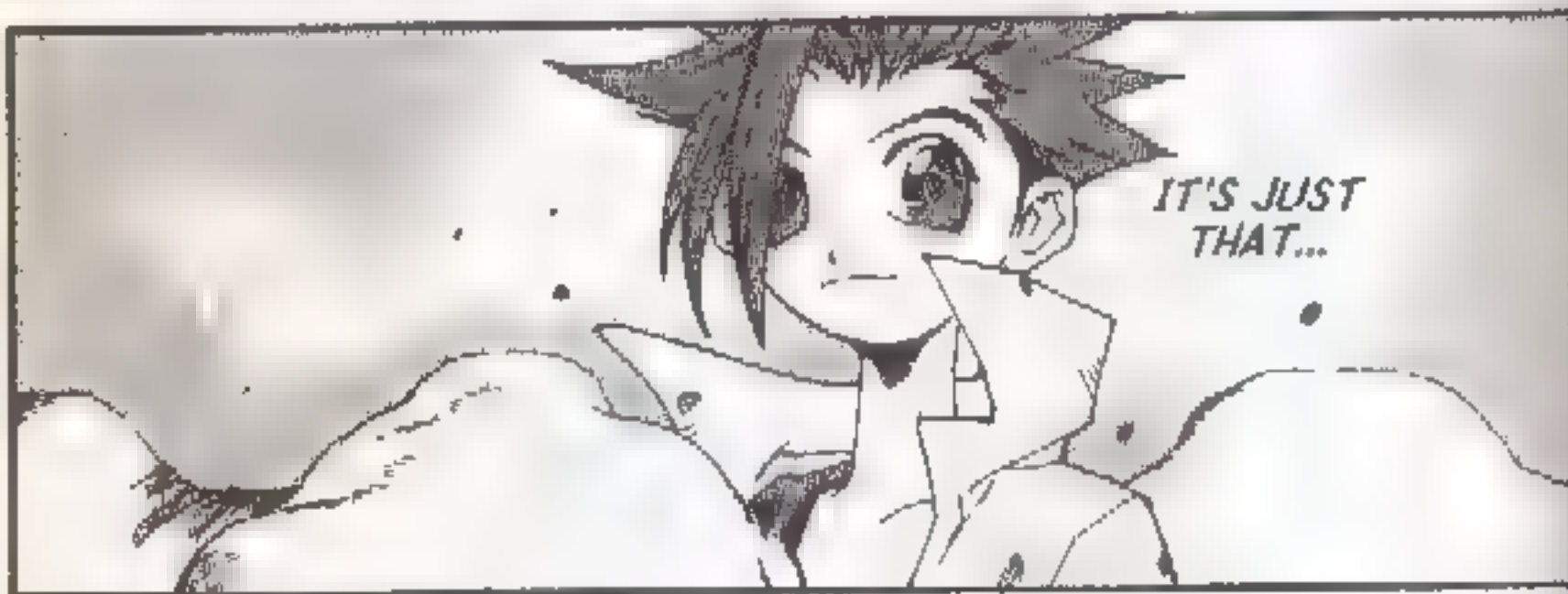
I KNOW
THIS IS A STRANGE
REQUEST, MOM...
BUT...I WANT TO
LEAVE IT LIKE THIS.



IT DOESN'T MEAN I
DON'T WANT YOUR
PRESENT 'ASIDE FROM THE
FACT THAT I BROKE IT AND
HAVE NO NEED FOR IT
ANYMORE



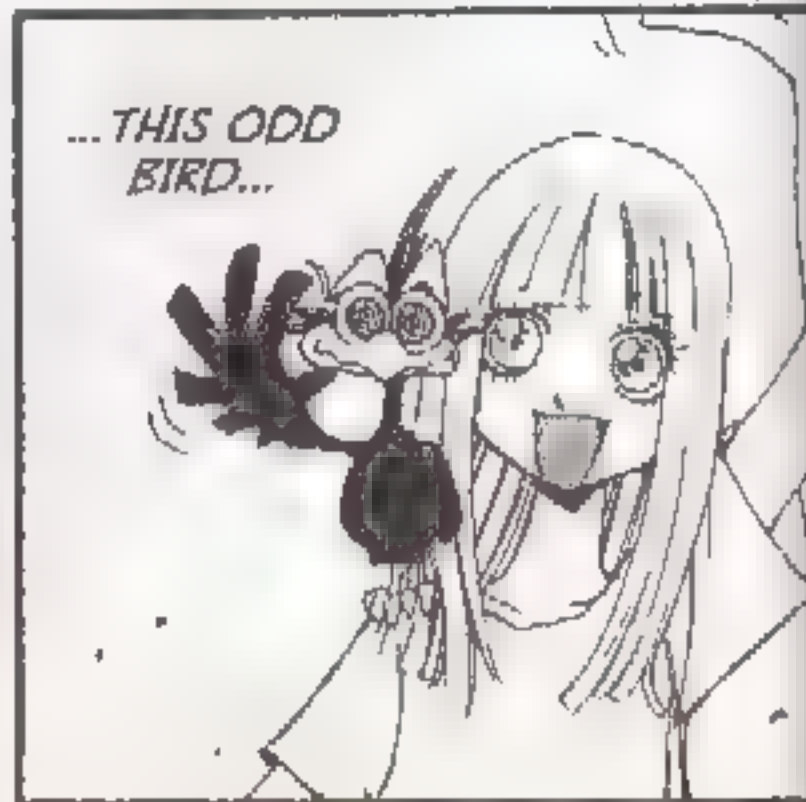
IT'S JUST
THAT...



...AND
THESE
GUYS...



...THIS ODD
BIRD...

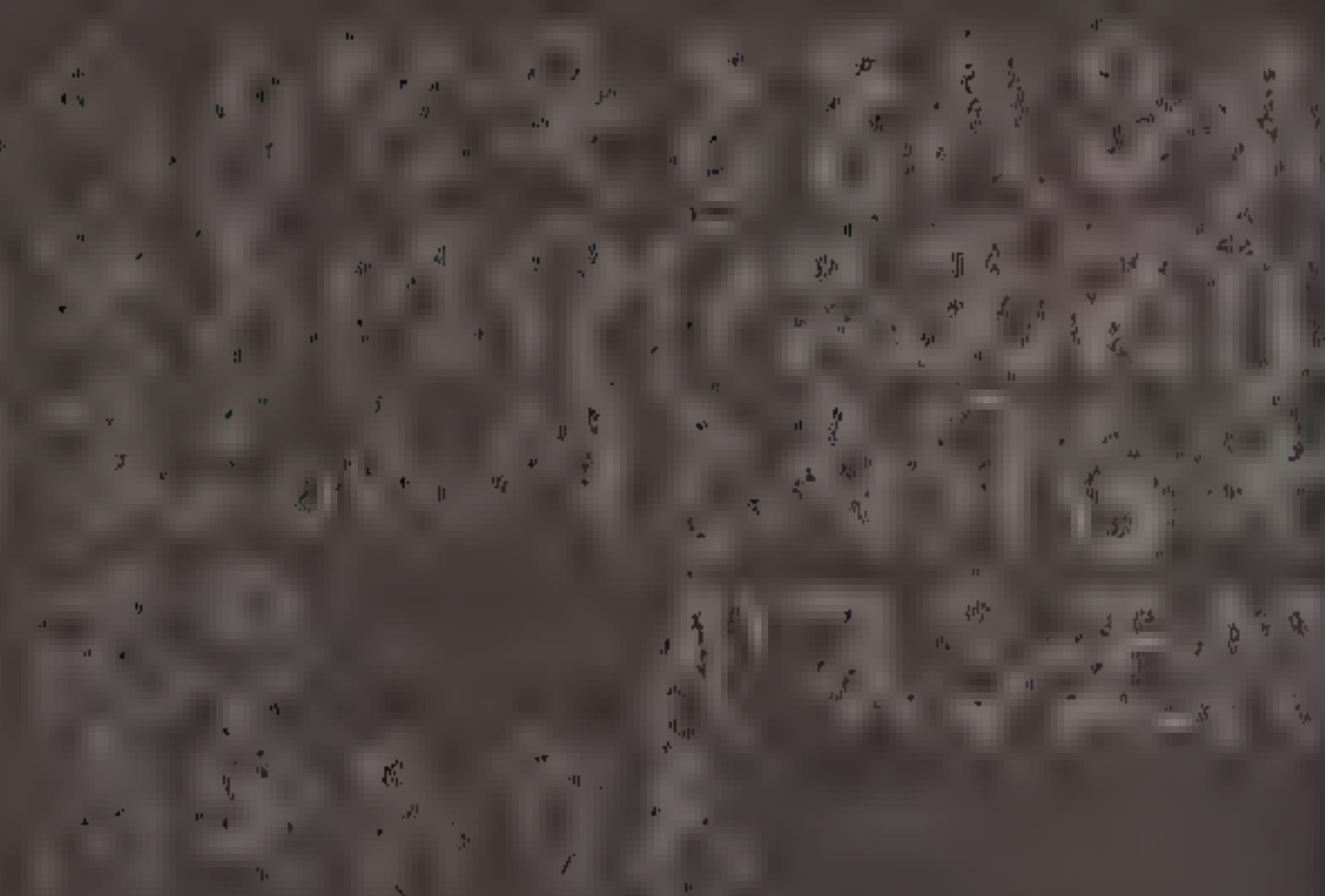


*...HELPED ME REMEMBER THE
BEST PRESENT YOU
EVER GAVE ME...!!*



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JING KING OF BANDITS INITIAL SET COLLECTION (4)



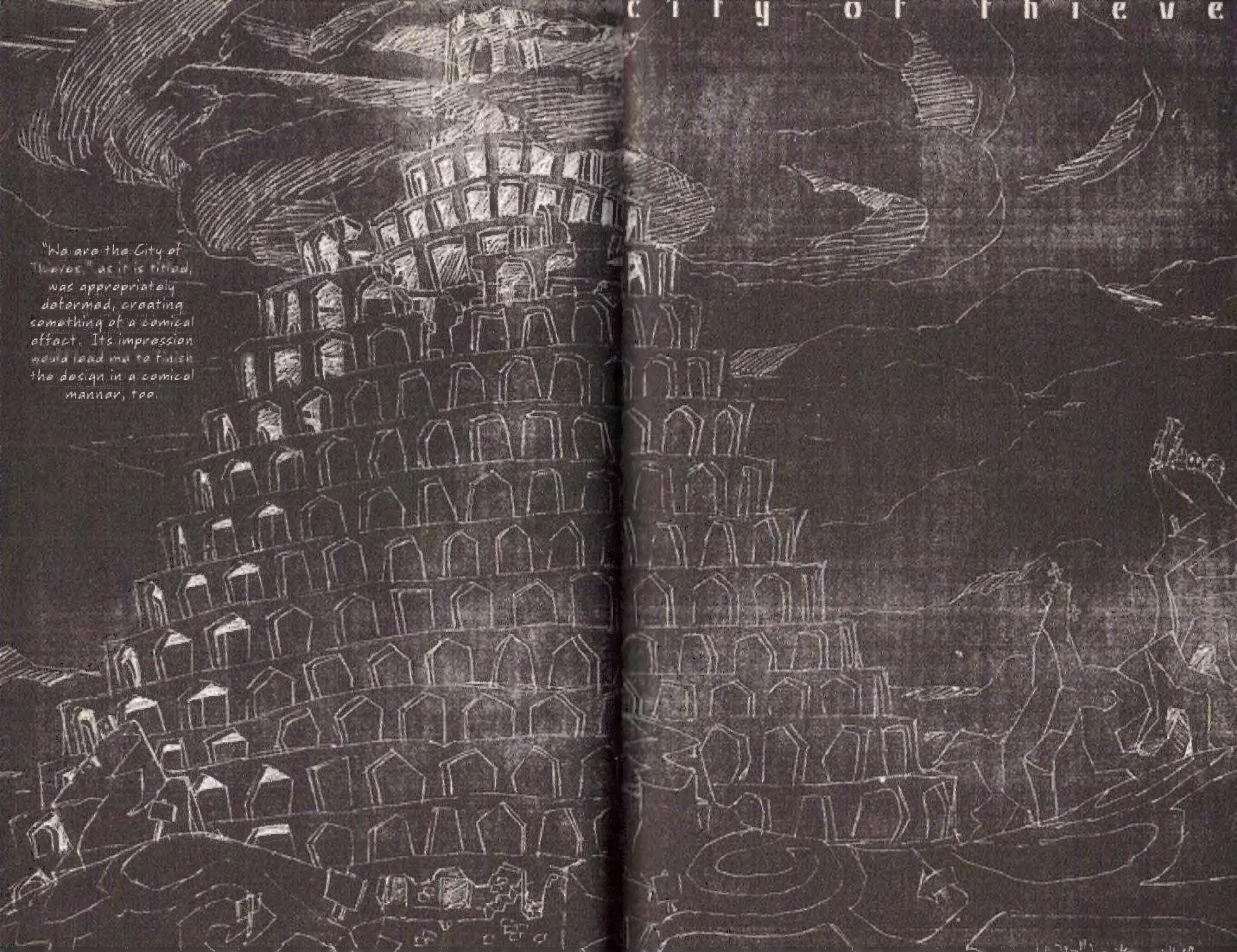
all that time and the others followed us too
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v i l l a i n

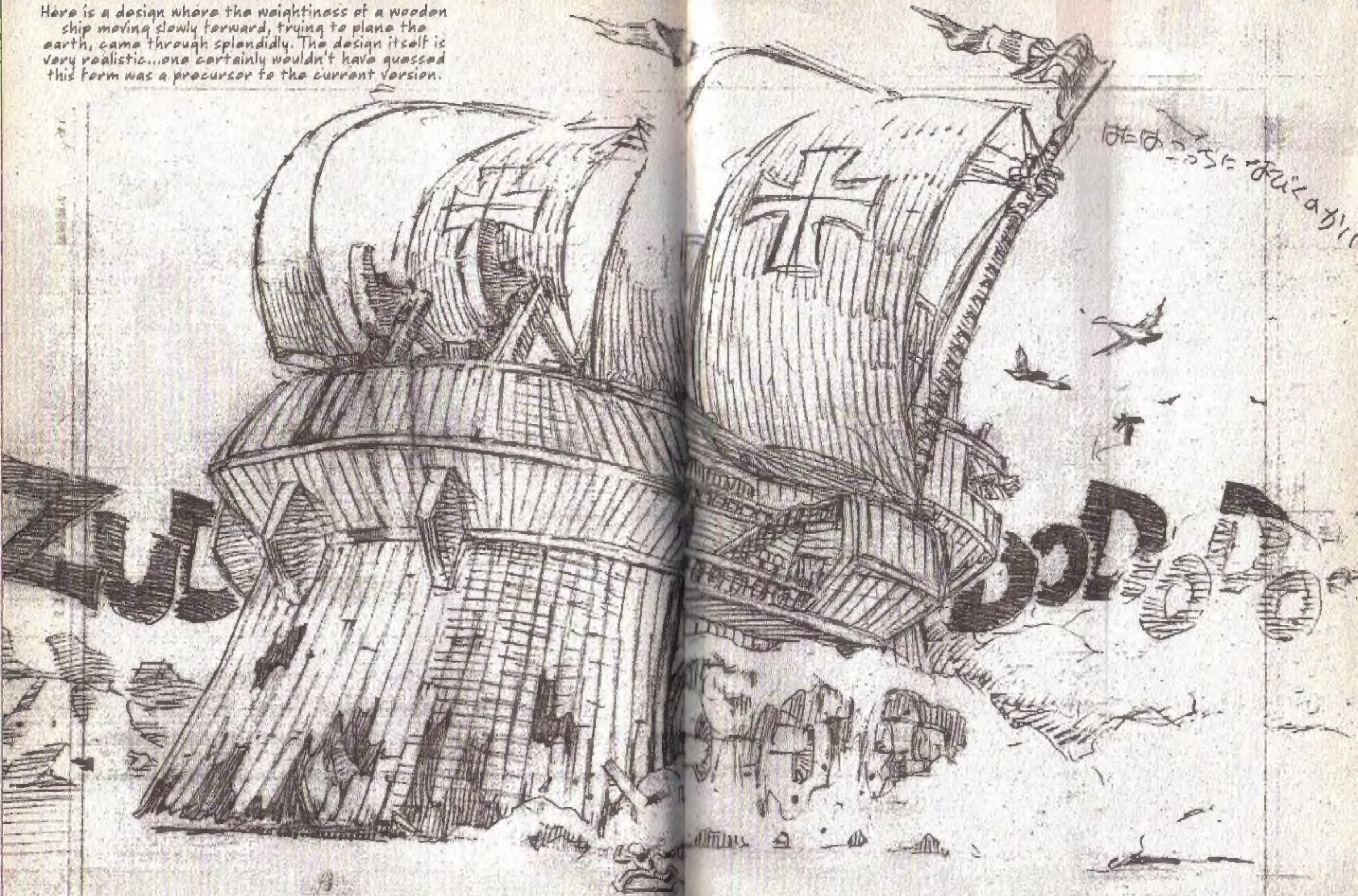
He looks evil, but in a foolish way.
This is the precursor to Vodka!!
Everyone knows how he finally turns
out, but this one is pretty personal.
The current one does cry at the
reunion of the Double Mermaid. I
think that side of his personality
balances out the evil just right.

"We are the City of
Thieves," as it is titled,
was appropriately
determined, creating
something of a comical
effect. Its impression
would lead me to finish
the design in a comical
manner, too.



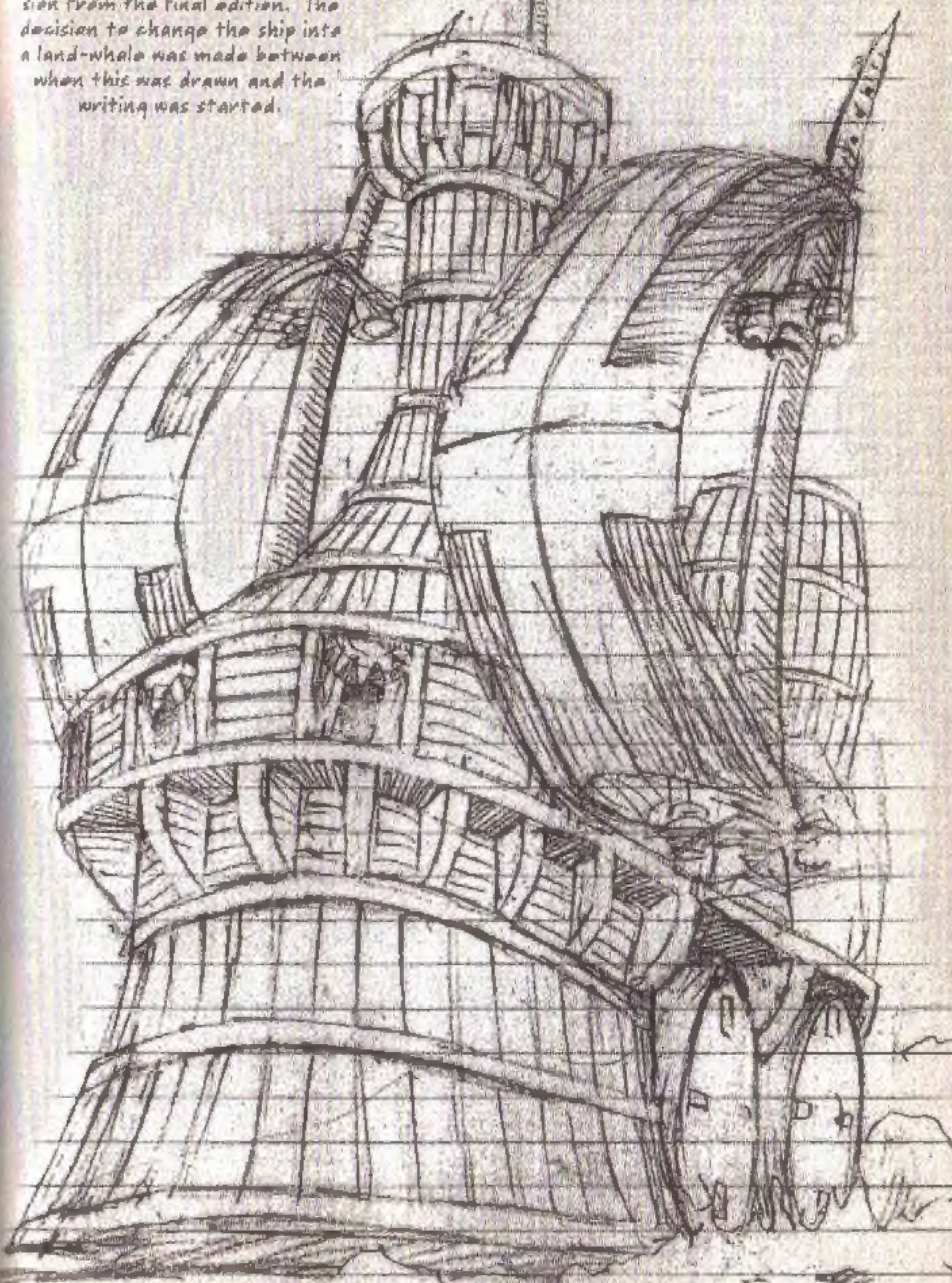
L A N D S H I P a

Here is a design where the weightiness of a wooden ship moving slowly forward, trying to plane the earth, came through splendidly. The design itself is very realistic...one certainly wouldn't have guessed this form was a precursor to the current version.



g i g a n t i c p u b l i c t r a n s p o r t a t i o n

Another land-ship sailing
across the infinite wasteland--
again, quite a different impres-
sion from the final edition. The
decision to change the ship into
a land-whale was made between
when this was drawn and the
writing was started.



L A N D S H I P b

王ロボウJING

Oh, take me away to the masquerade!
It seems our chap Jing and his avian ally are en route to Zaza,
a town renowned for its yearly masked ball.

Pity our heroes have no idea there will be
a lot more brawling on the ballroom floor than they'd expected.

For it is a fine line indeed between
a masquerade and a masked arena.

And of course,
people in masks
cannot be trusted...

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